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Births.

BUTTERFIELD.—May 10, 1899, at her residence, Eros, Adelaide-street, Waverley, the wife of Samuel Butterfield, of a son (prematurely).

PHILLIPS.—May 9, at Roseneath, Allen-street, Glebe Point, Sydney, the wife of Asher Phillips, of a daughter. Both doing well.

Marriages.

QUIRK—INGREY.—April 12, at St. James' Forest Lodge, by the Rev. Father Rogan, Alfred A., eldest son of the late Michael Quirk, of Grenfell, to L. K. J. (Louise), eldest daughter late James Ingrey, of Thuddungra, near Young.

Deaths.

BUTTERFIELD.—May 10, 1899, at Eros, Adelaide-street, Waverley, Harold, infant son of Samuel and Jessie Butterfield.

DUNN.—May 10, at her late residence, 20 Bank-street, North Sydney, Mary, the dearly beloved wife of Samuel Dunn, aged 60 years.

GOW.—March 27, at Brisbane, Agnes Vera, dearly beloved daughter of Robert M. and Agnes Gow, aged 5 years 10 months.

LEE.—May 7, 1899, at Perth, Western Australia, Elizabeth, dearly beloved wife of Frederick Lee, and dearly loved mother of Mrs. Oswald Mutton, Lady Robinson's Beach.

LEE.—May 7, at her residence, Lake and Brisbane streets, Perth, Western Australia, the dearly beloved wife of Frederick Lee, late of Sydney, N. S. Wales.

MARSHALL.—May 10, 1899, at 246 Palmer-street, Woolloomooloo, Sarah, the beloved wife of Benjamin Marshall, aged 78 years. Much regretted.

MEURANT.—May 1, at her residence, Cundumbul, near Molong, Jane, beloved wife of Ferdinand Meurant, and eldest daughter of Thomas Chappell, Mudgee, aged 46 years.

In Memoriam.

FITZPATRICK.—In loving memory of my dear husband, Michael Joseph Fitzpatrick, who departed this life May 11th, 1898. Rest in peace.

FITZPATRICK.—In loving remembrance of our dear son and brother, Michael Joseph Fitzpatrick, who died 11th May, 1898. May his soul rest in peace.

FITZPATRICK.—In sad and loving memory of our dearly loved brother, Michael Joseph Fitzpatrick, who died May 11th, 1898. Requiescat in pace.

FITZPATRICK.—In fond memory of a good friend, Michael J. Fitzpatrick, who died May 11th, 1898. A. W. R.

GEORGE.—In sad but loving memory of Samuel Frederick, aged 7 years, beloved youngest son of J. W. E. and Annie George, who was accidentally killed by a tram motor in Pitt-street, on the way home from school, 11th May, 1897.

LOCKMAN.—In loving remembrance of my dear mother, Catherine Lockman, who departed this life May 11, 1898.

O mother dear, I miss you;
No one to guide me now.
Gone to our Saviour, Jesu;
To His sweet will I bow.

Inserted by her loving daughter, Frances.

SMITH.—In loving memory of our dearly beloved mother, Mary Ann Smith, who died at North Sydney May 11, 1896.

A dear fond mother, kind and true,
Has gone, and bid us all adieu;
Released from sorrow, grief, and pain, and free from every care,
By angel bands to heaven conveyed, to rest forever there.

Inserted by her loving sons, Sidney and Edwin Smith.

STONE.—In loving memory of my dear friend, Mrs. Eliza Stone, who departed this life May 11, 1897. Inserted by her loving friend, Mrs. E. Matthews.

You are not forgotten, friend, dear,
Nor shall you ever be.
As long as life and memory last
I will remember thee.

WILSON.—In loving remembrance of my dear friend, Mrs. Louisa Wilson, who died at Prince Alfred Hospital on 11th May, 1898. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by a friend.

WILSON.—A tribute to the memory of our darling mother, Louisa Chivis Wilson, who died at Prince Alfred Hospital, May 11th, 1898. Inserted by her loving son and daughter-in-law, E. H. and M. Hubbard.

ZACCOUR.—In sad and loving memory of our dearly beloved Father, E. K. Zaccour, who died at Tripoli, Syria, April 10th, 1898. Inserted by his loving children. Deeply regretted by all who knew him. F. E. Zaccour and brothers.

Return Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE MARSDEN wish to express their sincere THANKS and gratitude to their many kind friends, and also to the Sisters of St. Gertrude's Convent, and the schoolmates of their deceased granddaughter, Florence Maud, during their late sad bereavement, for floral wreaths and kind sympathy shown.

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HIMALAYA	6898	W. L. Broun	June 3	June 6	June 8
SHANNON	4362	F. J. Cole	June 17	June 20	June 22
OCEANA	6603	E. Stewart	July 1	July 4	July 6
BRITANNIA	6525	T. S. Angus	July 15	July 18	July 20
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OROTAVA	5857	J. Linklater	May 13	May 16	May 18
ORIZABA	6297	A. M'Watt	May 27	May 30	June 1
OROYA	6297	E. E. Lavington	June 10	June 13	June 15
ORIENT	5365		June 24	June 27	June 29
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GERA	5005	W. Meissel	J'ne 14	J'ne 20	J'ne 24
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BRISBANE	Wodonga, Tuesday, 5 p.m., May 16
MARYBOROUGH	Wodonga, Tuesday, 5 p.m., May 16
BUNDABERG	Wodonga, Tuesday, 5 p.m., May 16
GLADSTONE	Wodonga, Tuesday, 5 p.m., May 16
ROCKHAMPTON	Wodonga, Tuesday, 5 p.m., May 16
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BUNDABERG, MACKAY, TOWNSVILLE, LUCINDA POINT, GERALDTON, CAIRNS, &c., &c.	Leura, Saturday, May 13, 2 p.m. Tyrian, Saturday, May 20, 2 p.m.

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Religious Announcements.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF N.S.W. GENERAL ASSEMBLY. Business THIS DAY, Thursday, May 11.
10 a.m.—References, Home Mission Committee; Report, Women on Committees of Management.
11 a.m.—Reports, Scots College Council; Treasurership Committee; Intercourse with other Churches; Theological Faculty, and Theological Hall Committee, appointment of Lecturer; Report of Board of Examiners; Overtures, Arrears of Stipend; and Presbyterial Certificates.
7 p.m.—Reports on Applications for Admission to the Ministry; Catechism on Presbyterianism; and Sustentation Fund.
9 p.m.—Report on Temperance; Overture, Ministers Assuming Responsibility for Congregational Finances.
N.B.—The Committee on Communication from St. Andrew's College will meet in St. Stephen's at 4 p.m. This Day. JAMES S. LAING, D.D., Clerk of Assembly.

EVANGELICAL COUNCIL. DON'T FORGET INAUGURAL MEETINGS TO-DAY, Centenary Hall, at 3 and 7 p.m.

ST. Andrew's Cathedral.—Ascension Day, 8, H. C.; 11, Morn. Prayer and H. C. Address, the Archbishop.

ORATORIO, "The Redemption," Ascension music. St. Thomas' Church, N.S. Full orch. and organ, 8 p.m.

Naval and Military Notices.

ARMY SERVICE CORPS (Partially Paid). Recruiting for No. 2 Company of the above Corps will take place at the Victoria Barracks on FRIDAY, the 12th, and MONDAY, the 15th instants. Men accustomed to horses preferred; also, a few butchers and bakers. Standard: Height, 5ft. 6in.; chest, 34in. Testimonials as to character, qualifications, &c., must be produced. Apply at Corps Store, Victoria Barracks, at 7.30 p.m. on above dates. By order, R. J. BEAUMAN, Lieut., Adjutant A. S. Corps. (1c-133)

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Legal Notices.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of CATHERINE LATTA, late of Homebush, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Supreme Courthouse, Chancery-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any Claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the 9th day of June instant, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise, if the said Accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this 10th day of May, A.D. 1899. R. C. MONDAY (L.S.), Acting Registrar. ROLIN and GILDER, Proctors for the Executors, 93 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicil of MICHAEL WILLIAM LAWSON, the Elder, late of Liverpool, and formerly of German's Hill, near Orange, in the colony of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament and Codicil thereto of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MICHAEL WILLIAM LAWSON, of German's Hill aforesaid, Farm Labourer, the Executor in the said Will and Codicil named. MORRIS E. ISAACS, Proctor for Executor, Orange. By H. A. LYONS, his Agent, Lyndhurst-chambers, 84 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of HENRY MOORE, late of Toganmain Station, in the colony of New South Wales, Labourer, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHRISTOPHER MOORE, Father of the said deceased, and all persons having any claim against the Estate are requested to forward same to the undersigned forthwith. C. MOORE, Queanbeyan.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—I, GEORGE HORT JOSEPH, of Addington, 34 Macleay-street, Potts Point, Sydney, lately serving under assignment of Articles of Clerkship to SIDNEY JOHN BULL, of Temple-court, King-street, Sydney, Solicitor, do hereby give Notice of my intention to apply on the last day of the present Term to be admitted an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of this Honorable Court. Dated this tenth day of May, A.D. 1899. GEORGE H. JOSEPH.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JAMES DAVIS, Senior, late of Mundoonan, in the colony of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ALFRED THOMAS DAVIS, the sole Executor named in the said Will. H. WHITE, Proctor for the Executor, 121 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of EDMUND ELKANAH SHAW, late of Shakespeare Grove, Hawthorn, in the colony of Victoria, Importer, deceased. Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that the Probate granted in the colony of Victoria in respect of the above estate may be sealed with the seal of this Court. And NOTICE is hereby given to Creditors to send in notices of their claims forthwith to the Executrix addressed as below. DIBBS, GIBSON, and PARKER, Proctors for the Executrix, 92 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicils of SARAH ANN BURRELL, late of Burwood, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Codicils of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HENRY DEANE, of Sydney, Solicitor, one of the Executors named in the said Will and Codicils, the other Executor, the Reverend JAMES EWEN named therein, having renounced probate. WILLIAM SMITH DEANE, Proctor, Deane-chambers, 38 Rowe-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JESSINA EMILY WILSON, late of No. 7 Lyons-street, in the city of Melbourne, in the colony of Victoria (the wife of LEO HENRY FITZURE WILSON, of the same place, since deceased), deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after 14 days from the publication hereof that the Letters of Administration, granted in the colony of Victoria in respect of the above Estate, may be sealed with the Seal of this Court. MAKINSON and PLUNKETT, Proctors for Applicants, 49 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS CARRICK, late of 22 Little Gipps-street, Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Carter, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed may be granted to MARTIN CARRICK and THOMAS CARRICK, the Executors in the said Will named. HUGHES and HUGHES, Proctors for the Executors, 26 Hunter-street, Sydney.

PURSUANT to an Order of the Court of Chancery of the County Palatine, of Lancaster, made in the matter of the Estate of RICHARD BAINES DIXON, Deceased, and in an action Garlick versus Stones (1899 G, No. 19), the persons claiming to be FIRST COUSINS of the said Richard Baines Dixon, late of Preston, in the County of Lancaster, Gentleman, living at the time of the death of the said Richard Baines Dixon on the 3rd day of April, 1872, and the children then living of any first cousins of his who may have died in his lifetime, or to be the legal personal representatives of such of the said first cousins and children respectively as are now dead, are by their Solicitors, on or before the 17th day of July, 1899, to come in and prove their claims at the Chambers of the Registrar of the Preston District of said Court, situate at No. 10 Winckley-street, Preston, in the said County, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order. Monday, the 17th day of July, 1899, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at the said Chambers, is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the claims.

NOTE.
The names of the families who are believed to have been cousins of the Testator are as follow:—ARMITSTEAD, BOYS or BOYES, ECCLES, WALMSLEY, and FOWLER, of whom some members of the ECCLES family are believed to have lived in Australia.
Dated this 6th day of April, 1899. ALEXANDER PEARCE, Registrar. W. ASHCROFT, 35 Winckley-square, Preston, Plaintiff's Solicitor.

Calls and Dividends on Shares.

BOULDER HALF-MILE SOUTH G.M. COMPANY No Liability.
NOTICE is hereby given that an Eighth (8th) CALL of Sixpence (6d) per share upon all shares in the abovenamed Company has been made by the Directors, payable at the Registered Office of the Company, Ware-chambers, No. 112 King William-street, Adelaide, on WEDNESDAY, the 10th day of May, 1899. W. L. WARE, Secretary.
Adelaide, 2nd May, 1899.
N.B.—Shareholders out of South Australia are requested to remit by Bank Draft. In all cases where country or intercolonial cheques are sent exchange must be added. Names and progressive numbers of shares must be given.

GREAT COBAR COPPER-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Directors have this day declared a DIVIDEND (the 34th) of Two Shillings per Share, payable at the Company's Office, No. 131 Pitt-street, Sydney, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th day of May instant.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be Closed from the 17th till the 24th instant, both dates inclusive.
By order of the Board. LEONARD DODDS, Manager.
Sydney, May 10, 1899.

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Lectures.

SYDNEY University Christian Union.—To-night's Lecture by Rev. J. Fordyce unavoidably postponed.

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Meetings.

COLONISTS' ANTI-CONVENTION BILL LEAGUE. MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AS UNDER AT 8 P.M.
THURSDAY. ROCKDALE, Town Hall.—Mr. W. M. HUGHES, M.P. BURWOOD, School of Arts.—A. B. PIDDINGTON, Esq.
FRIDAY. MARRICKVILLE, Town Hall.—Hon. H. N. MACLAURIN, M.L.C., and Mr. W. A. HOLMAN, M.P. MOSMAN'S BAY, The Barn.—A. B. PIDDINGTON, Esq. THORNLEIGH, School of Arts.—Mr. G. HOWARTH, M.P.
SATURDAY. DARLINGTON, Bellevue Hotel, Regent and Wall streets.—Messrs. J. S. T. M'GOWEN, M.P., and C. W. POWELL. WAVERLEY, Tea Gardens.—Dr. W. EDW. WARREN and L. C. RUSSELL JONES, Esq., J.P. NEWCASTLE.—A. B. PIDDINGTON, Esq. HORNSBY, Hotel Balcony.—Mr. W. M. HUGHES, M.L.A.

UNITED FEDERAL EXECUTIVE. MEETINGS in favour of the Amended Constitution Bill will be addressed as follows:—
HUNTER'S HILL, Council-chambers.—Messrs. T. ROLIN and T. R. BAVIN.
THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING, MAY 11.
SUTHERLAND, Lobb's Hall.—Messrs. R. CROFT and L. BROINOWSKI.
NORTH SYDNEY, Centennial Hall.—Mr. T. H. LOXTON.
RANDWICK, Town Hall.—R. E. O'CONNOR, Q.C., and JOHN SEE, M.P.,
on FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 12th.

ENGINEERING ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES. A General MEETING of the above will be held at the Society's Rooms, Union-chambers, 70 Pitt-street, THIS (Thursday) EVENING, the 11th instant. Chair will be taken at 8 o'clock sharp. Business:—1. Ballot for new members. 2. Mr. Tyree's reply to the discussion on his paper on "Acetylene Gas." 3. Paper by Mr. A. Christie on recent improvements to Mort's Graving Dock. HENRY V. AHRBECKER, Hon. Secretary.

ANNUAL MEETING, N.S.W. Alliance. Speakers: Rev. Buchanan, John Vale. May 29th.

GENERAL GORDON L.O.L., 204, meets To-night, 7.30 p.m. Members' Pound Night. Visitors invited.

STOCKOWNERS' MEAT CO. OF N.S.W., Ltd. in Liquidation. The General MEETING of the above Company convened for this day having lapsed for want of a quorum, it is hereby notified that the same stands adjourned, in accordance with the Articles, to WEDNESDAY Next, the 17th instant, at 4 o'clock p.m., in the United Chambers boardroom, corner of George and Hunter streets, Sydney. F. T. HUMPHERY, Liquidator. 129 Pitt-street, May 10th, 1899.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY. NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the Society's Head Office, corner of Pitt and King streets, Sydney, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, May 12, 1899, at noon,—To receive the Report of the Directors for the year ended March 31 last; to elect a Director in the room of WILLIAM HEZLET, Esq., who retires by rotation but is eligible for re-election; to elect an Auditor; to transact such other business as may be brought before the meeting in the terms of the Deed of Settlement. By order of the Board. WALTER CHURCH, Manager. Pitt and King streets, Sydney, May 10, 1899.

BONNIE DUNDEE GOLD-MINING COMPANY, Limited. NOTICE is hereby given that the First Half-yearly MEETING of the Shareholders in the Bonnie Dundee Gold-mining Company, Limited, will be held at Mr. Medlyn's Cambridge Club Hotel, Clarinda-street, Parkes, on THURSDAY, the eighteenth day of May, 1899, at 8 o'clock p.m. BUSINESS: To receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet, and to transact such other business as may be brought forward in conformity with the rules and regulations of the Company. Dated this 9th day of May, 1899. By order of the Board. DUGALD CAMERON, Legal Manager. Independent Office, Parkes.

BOMBO GOLD-MINING COMPANY, No Liability. NOTICE is hereby given that a General MEETING will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 11 Bond-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, the 26th May, 1899, at 2.30 p.m. BUSINESS: 1. To receive and consider the Half-yearly Report and Balance-sheet of the Company. 2. To appoint one Director in the place of Mr. E. T. Thring, who retires by rotation, but is eligible for re-election; and, also, to appoint Auditors for the ensuing year. 3. To transact any other business that may be brought forward in conformity with the Articles of Association. By order of the Board. E. SHIRLEY CHAPMAN, Legal Manager. Sydney, 10th May, 1899.

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TRANSVAAL GRIEVANCES. PUBLIC MEETING. In response to a request from the Imperial South African Association of London, I hereby convene a Public MEETING, to be held in the Vestibule of the Town Hall on THURSDAY AFTERNOON Next, at 4 o'clock. MATTHEW HARRIS, Mayor. Town Hall, 9th May, 1899.

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LOST, Silver CIGARETTE CASE, initials engraved. Reward. 201 Clarence-st.

LOST, May 9, COLLIE, black and tan, with white marks. Reward. Apsley, Arthur-st., North Sydney.

LOST (£1 reward), Pug DOG. Return No. 3 Carey-st., Waverley.

LOST, between Short and Forbes sts., Newtown, Gold Cable BANGLE. Reward. Dr. Watson, Newtown.

LOST, Monday, Skye TERRIER, answers "Bab." Handsome reward. Matlock, Evans st., Balmain.

LOST, Mon. morn., G. Bangle, on or bet. rail. stn. and Engine-st. Rew. Mansion House Hotel, George-st.

LOST, Australian TERRIER (female dog), good reward. 150 Regent-st., Redfern.

LOST, Tuesday night, Gold BROOCH, betw. Margaret-st. and Strand. Rew. Langham Hotel, York-st.

LOST, my CORNS through using Sal. Corn Salve, 1s 6d, post free. 300 Sussex-st.

LOST, the Morning Headache now that I stick to DICKENS' WHISKY.

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MARRICKVILLE POUND.—For SALE, Bay MARE, THIS DAY, at noon. Impounded, one red and white Cow, branded like P near rump, tw on tail.

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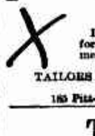
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FIRST MATINEE
of
"THE ADVENTURE OF LADY URSULA,"
By Anthony Hope.
Box Plan at Elvy's.

NOTE.—There will be no MATINEE on THURSDAY NEXT, May 18, the date fixed for the Governor's arrival.

THEATRE ROYAL.

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Representative, Mr. Allan Hamilton.

EVERY EVENING, at 8.

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ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION OF

The ADVENTURE of LADY URSULA
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a Comedy, in Four Acts,
by Anthony Hope.

Mrs. BROUGH as LADY URSULA.
Mr. BROUGH as REV. DR. BLIMBOE.

EXTRACTS FROM THE SYDNEY PRESS:
The S. M. HERALD says:—"'The Adventure of Lady Ursula' is a bright comedy, full of action, and its first production on Saturday night was in all respects was a thorough success."

The DAILY TELEGRAPH says:—"Anthony Hope has given to the modern theatre a play which is bright to see . . . Bare justice to the performance is that unstinted praise which it is always a pleasure to be able to give fairly."

The STAR says:—"'The Adventure of Lady Ursula' is amongst the brightest and prettiest comedies that have been presented to Sydney audiences. . . . The success of the comedy is assured."

The EVENING NEWS says:—"Mr. Brough is certainly to be congratulated on the product on of so charming a comedy. The dialogue is bright, and abounds in raillery, epigram, delicate wit, and repartee, while the situations develop in a manner most unexpected, and so deftly handled as to rank amongst the most finished pieces of stage-craft."

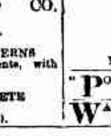
The SUNDAY TIMES says:—"Comes fully up to the reputation which has preceded it from London."

TRUTH says:—"A comedy which will draw all Sydney."

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SATURDAY NEXT, at the MATINEE.

RE-APPEARANCE for a SHORT FAREWELL SEASON of that Great Comedian and Expert Dancer,
Mr. HORACE WHEATLEY.
Also, Re-Appearance of that popular End Man and Acrobatic Song and Dance Artist,
Mr. JAMES MOONEY.

GLEBE MUSICAL SOCIETY.—Ninth Grand CONCERT, Glebe Town Hall, THIS EVENING, 11th May. Cantata, "May Queen," and other items. Soloists and choir. Full orchestra. L. J. Massey, conduct.

"POPS."—Halliwell, Sykes, and a host of Artists at the "Pops." next Saturday.

DANCING.—Professor T. Smith's Regular Weekly Assembly, to-night. Surreyville. 10th year.

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Auction Sales.

THIS DAY.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, the Unredeemed PLEDGES pawned with Mr. A. M'Hugh, of 26 Hartley-street, Balmain.

At 11 o'clock, Clothing, Boots, Blankets, &c.
At 3 o'clock, Sundries and Jewellery.

AUCTION SALE
of
UNREDEEMED PLEDGES.

JOHN P. LISTER has received instructions from the N.S.W. MONT DE PIETE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT COMPANY, Limited, of 74 CASTLEREAGH-STREET, to sell by public auction, on their Premises, Their UNREDEEMED PLEDGES as under (unless previously renewed or redeemed), on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, 16th and 17th MAY instant, at 11 o'clock, Without Reserve.

1898.
July—1st, amethyst brooch and g ring (keeper).
August—1st, rose diamond and opal stud; 2nd, lady's g h k Elgin 4570858 and bar; 3rd, diam and pearl brooch, g n chain and st diamond ring; 4th, s h lever 18780, s c albert (no bar), single st diamond ring; 6th, gold bangle; 9th, g h lever 153375; 8th, g h geneva 6690 (dgd, no bezel), ld's g albert, s o f geneva 39683, s albert, g albert, locket and r diam and stone ring, pin, g brooch and earrings and g nugget, half-hoop diam ring; 11th, g h Waltham 78431, 18ct g albert, g seal and d star; 12th, g h lever 2246, stone brooch and g brooch, stone ring, g teeth mount, g wed ring and brooch; 13th, g h geneva 37435, g albert and g keeper, 2 g bangles, g h geneva 34672 (brass bow); 15th, g brooch, 3 d rings and pearl ring, pearl and stone ring; 16th, g albert, s h lever, 748 over 123761; 17th, pr diamond earrings, s diamond and stone dress ring, g enamelled star; 25th, pearl ring; 30th, s h k lever 210412, opal brooch, long g chain; 31st, pr s st diamond earrings.
August—4th (cont.), 4 spoons, 5 forks; 19th, 22 e p spoons, 12 knives, pr carvers; 15th, 12 forks and 12 spoons, g necklet and diamond locket.
September—1st, electric battery, pearl shamrock, bangle, butter dish, s h lever 81306, g brooch and g ring, pr opal links, mandoline, dsd trophy, s h lever 22013 (dgd, no cap) and metal chain, s h k Waltham chronograph 305926, pearl heart pin, diamond pin and g pen, e p forks, 1 pr sug tongs, s coin and sil cardcase, g wedd ring and keeper; 2nd, r diamond and carbuncle ring, marble clock (dgd, no pendulum), diamond and st ring and g snake ring, g albert, g s h k Waltham 7091574, rose diamond and stone ring, fieldglass, g band ring, d b b l gun (in case), g wedd ring; 3rd, field-glass, s o f k Waltham 1010183 and s albert, s b mus l gun (Greener), 9 ct g albert and locket, s h Waltham 2,39130 and met albert, s h lev 85482, g bangle, knife, fork, and steel, g wedd ring and keeper, s h Waltham 1145926; 5th, sm diamond and st ring and g keeper, s h k Waltham 940615, g o f geneva 24654, g keeper, 11 st diamond h s pin, g brooch, g albert and locket, 9ct gold albert, g d h k geneva 27855 (dgd), g leaf brooch, r diam and st pin and small diamond collar stud, e p teapot, g our ring, g bag, g nugget, g brooch, g band ring (vert e), 5 pce drawing insts and 9 scales, prl and st d ring and g wed ring, small electric battery; 6th, opal pin, s st diamond ring, 2 g chain bracelets and seal, camera, lens, 4 slides and legs, ld's g albert; 7th, g portrait brooch, g ring (Kit), box drawg instmts, field-glass, g mtd hair albert; 8th, pr tailor's shears, set scales and weights (in hand-bag), sil mug, g o f geneva 44844, g albert and keeper, g keeper and stone ring, diamond, star brooch, ... diamond ring, g wed'g ring, g bangle (broken), lamp; 9th, g h geneva chest, g h t repeating chrong 40457 (dgd), g albert and seal, diamond (unset), s s diamd ring, glad bag, g o f geneva 26945, concertina, g mtd mason, s o f k Elgin 2563419, r diam pin or stud; 10th, g curb albert, china ornament, s o f lever 14999, 6 tablespoons and sug tongs, buckle and g arrow brooch, 2 g bangles, s h lever 15996, revolver; 12th, g h lever 11101 (dgd), s snuff box, pearl and st brooch, g h geneva 41292, 12 knives, s Waltham 2326... s h k Waltham 1016634 and s albert, musical box, s h lever 287467 and s curb albert, g chain bangle, diamond snake ring, stone ring and st locket; 13th, pr g links, 2 studs, s diam ring, 9 lever set in tools, box w tools, pearl brooch, g locket, g diam and st ring, s h k Waltham 779000, g o albert and pencilcase, amet ring, 6 books, field glasses, g chain bangle, s h Waltham 4058976 and pearl pin; 14th, field-glass, r diamond and st brooch, 2 meerschaum pipes, g h lever 50485, s s diam ring, diamond and st bangle, diam marquis ring, mo aic pin and brooch, half-hoop diamond ring, diamond and st ring, g f b albert (broken), pr st earrings, pearl ring, clus diam and st ring, guinea, g d h k geneva 161327 and sm g chain; 15th, g o f geneva 32261, g h lever 6081, 7 books, diam and sapp ring, s h Walt 1305465, s watch box, trunk and d ring, g w ring; 16th, book, g o f geneva 6463, s h Waltham 4553692, s o f k geneva 2016, s s diam stud, g h diam ring, 20 dollar pce, hand sewg machine, fieldglass, g band ring, g curb albert, trinket and pencil-case, s h b l gun, ld's g albert, r diam mas pin; 17th, s h lever 15817 (dgd), g d h k Waltham 7564783, sl mtd bugle, s mtd knife and fork and dagger case, diam marquise ring, sm s s diam ring, r diam locket, g band ring, s h lever 28013, s albert and g mtd greenstone, g h geneva 14731, g albert, g pin and g sig ring, e p pickle stand and egg-stand, g h lever 58 3 ... 19th, g bangle, r diam buck ring and r diam and st ring, s h watch 1301737, sing s sapphire ring, 6 3-12 dz magic lantern slides, cornet and 3 extra pieces, g w ring, g albert and trinket, 10 dent's forceps, field-glass, g bangle, whole cruet (in bottles), flask and 2 salt cellars, 11 table-spoons, 10 dess spoons, 6 tea spoons, 12 table forks, 6 dess ... 1 ladle, 1 sug tongs; 20th, 2 salt spns, pr g mtd specs, banjo, pr g links; 20th, clus diam and st ring, albert g band ring (H. M. F.), r diam, prl. and turq ring, g curb albert, 100 magic lantern slides; 21st, g buck ring, pearl h s bangle (dgd), s h k geneva 9285 and g ring, clarionet, fieldglass; 22nd, diam ring, 12 sts shtt, 27 e p forks and spoons, g albert, mas trinket, part soro purse and 3 diam studs, g o f s geneva 1160 ... st bracelet and st ring, clarionet, s h lever 1137, s cigarette case, g h Waltham 7800514, cornet, g h k geneva 243361 and albert; 23rd, 5 gsy rings, spoon and op glass, 6 spoons, 8 e p spoons and fork, pearl pin, h k Waltham 4221621, clus diam and s ring, s o f lever 46,869, s h k geneva 2018662; 24th, pr sleeve links, 6 dess knives and forks, 3 st sapp rings ("N.S."), bangle pr paste earrings, st ring, 2 lens, s brooch, s ring and g aug ring, 2 lens, amet brooch and paste cres brooch, violin and bow (in case), Watby watch and albert, amet ring; 26th, g chain bangle, pearl brooch, pearl d ring, s h lever 53560, s h k watch 41070 (dgd), g locket, g w ring, g h k watch 3401057, g albert, s s diam ring, g ring (Ernest), g sig ring, pr g s l s; 27th, pearl h s pin, r diam and pearl pin, sing gold albert and seal, g keeper, pearl pin, diam brooch, g o f geneva 41385, stone ring, cameo brooch and earrgs and 2 diam and st rings, g band ring, sm carriage clock, st stone ring and stud, s h k geneva 167476, s albert, locket, g brooch and earrgs and diam and st ring; 28th, spirit stand, g brooch, cameo brooch, cameo ring, 44 lantern slides, g o f lever 56066 and g albert, cameo brooch, g bangle, g h s pin, g d ring (sev sts out), s h geneva 103804, s h lever 73461, concertina, g ring, pin and g aug ring, surveyor's compass (g broken); 29th, egg stand, s h k Wal chron 3185038, 3 s studs, g sig ring; 30th, violin (case), revolver and cartridges, clarionet, s b Elgin 6082485 and s albert, g o f lever 3229 and met albert, s h lever 19886, s albert, locket (dgd), diam scarf ring, clarionet.
1899.
January—28th, lady's star bicycle.
Also, a quantity of goods upon which the sum of five shillings and under has been advanced; and all other goods previously advertised and kept over by request of pawners.

CLOTHING.

The UNREDEEMED CLOTHING as under of the N.S.W. MONT DE PIETE D. and I. COMPY., Limited, will be sold at the Rooms of JOHN P. LISTER, LABOUR BAZAAR AUCTION ROOMS, 247A PITT-STREET, on FRIDAY, 19th MAY instant, at half-past 2 o'clock, Without Reserve:—

1898.
December—13th, skin rug.
1899.
January—3rd, suit, dress suit, serge coat and vest; 4th, 2 tablecloths, 8 pieces linen; 5th, evening dress, w coat and vest; 6th, w coat and vest, child's cloak and robe; 7th, macintosh, patchwork quilt, cushion, grey suit; 9th, tweed suit, 2 frocks, black dresspiece, 3 remnants, dress suit and macintosh; 10th, suit, macintosh; 11th, quilt, 2 sheets, 2 skirts, 2 tablecloths, 2 brooches, pr gloves, trousers and vest, cape, jacket, macintosh, satin skirt and jacket, serge trousers, silk skirt and jacket; 12th, macintosh; 13th, dress suit, overcoat, macintosh; 14th, overcoat, 2 books, light overcoat; 16th, macintosh, satin dresspiece; 17th, dress suit, serge suit, cape, 2 brooches, suit, cape, socks, handkerchiefs, gloves, 3 brooches, suit, macintosh, silk dress; 18th, satin dress, 9 articles fancy clothing, cape, silk shawl, 12 pieces linen; 19th, 3 coats, 2 vests, check macintosh, brown overcoat; 20th, dress, pr boots, slippers, 13 prs boots, 6 prs shoes, coat, dresspiece, lining; 21st, overcoat, 8 sheets, 9 pillow cases, 2 toilet covers, tweed suit, 2 prs dress material, 6 sashes, 3 pieces vesting, serge suit, light suit, serge suit, macintosh, overcoat; 23rd, suit, dress and skirt, jacket, rug (in gladstone bag), suit, 3 knitted counterpanes, 12 articles clothing, remt print skirt and jacket, coat and vest, brown overcoat, suit, macintosh, light tweed suit, dress suit, jacket, pr boots, pin, pencil case; 25th, rug, stick, skirt, remt silk, 2 silk handkerchiefs, remnant serge, 2 frocks, cape; 27th, silk skirt, jacket, cape, 2 dresses; 28th, tweed coat, macintosh, dress, coat and vest, serge suit; 30th, gladstone bag and clothing, piece white silk, tweed coat, macintosh, dress, coat and vest; 31st, dress suit, 2 pre lace curtains, dress suit, dinner jacket.
Also a quantity of goods upon which the sum of five shillings and under has been advanced.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 11 A.M.
ABSOLUTE and UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION, on the Premises,
31 BOTANY-STREET, REDFERN,
Stock-in-Trade of a Boarding-house.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.
TABLES, Chairs, Couches, Overmantels, Bedsteads (S. and D.), Washstands, &c., Kitchen Utensils and sundries.
MEDCALF and VAUGHAN, of REDFERN, have received instructions to sell as above. Terms, Cash.

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PITT-STREET CONGREGATIONAL LITERARY and SOCIAL UNION.—TO-NIGHT, at 8 o'clock, in the School Hall, a LECTURE by Rev. JAMES HILL, M.A., on "English Ideas of Individual Liberty."

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL GROUNDS.

NEXT SATURDAY, 13th MAY.

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"FROM BRAIN TO KEYBOARD." Miss WILKINSON, A.R.A.M., Rome, will commence CLASSES TO-DAY. BOARD-ROOM, VICKERY'S-CHAMBERS, 82 PITT-STREET. Both MORNING and EVENING COURSES will be held, the former at 10.30, the latter at 7.30 TO-DAY, and on 15th, 18th, and 22nd. TICKETS (£1 11s 6d), at 61 O'N'S, must be taken IMMEDIATELY. Circulars at all the Principal Music Shops. PRIVATE LESSONS. £3 for the "Course."

MISS SHADFORTH HOOPER, Pianoforte Teacher, 164 Phillip-st., city.

MANDOLIN, Violin, Guitar, Banjo Taught; terms moderate. Peel's Teaching Studios, 5 Hunter-st.

ADVANCING SUBURB, Artarmon, on North Sydney Railway Line.—The SALE of ARTARMON ESTATE No. 2, Mowbray-road, near station, takes place NEXT SATURDAY on Ground, 3 p.m. Terms. Lithos. Torrens.
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UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY.
The JUNIOR PUBLIC EXAMINATION will commence on MONDAY, the 5th of June.
Candidates' forms of application, which may be obtained at the University, must be sent to the Registrar not later than FRIDAY, the 12th of May.
Applications for the Watt Exhibition must be sent in by the same date. For particulars see "Manual of Public Examinations."
Proposal forms for Committees to superintend the holding of these examinations at local centres may be obtained upon application to the University, and must be returned to the Registrar, duly signed, not later than Monday, the 1st of May.
H. E. BARFF, Registrar.

Auction Sales.

KISS' HORSE and CARRIAGE BAZAAR.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
Horses, Vehicles, and Harness.
And at 12 o'clock,
Lots as advertised.

BUTCHERS' CART TURNOUT AND BUGGY AND HARNESS.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Staunch Horse, Butcher's Cart and Harness, a really good lot; also Single-seated Buggy and Harness.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

CAMPERDOWN SALEYARDS.

WEDNESDAY, 17th MAY, at 2.30 p.m.

40 HIGH-CLASS HORSES.

WEAVER and PERRY have received instructions from Frank Doyle, Esq., to sell by auction as above, on WEDNESDAY, 17th May,
40 HIGH-CLASS HORSES,
comprising
20 extra heavy Draught Colt and Fillies, 4 and 5 years old, in grand condition, bearing the well-known AWI and OHH brands.
20 upstanding well-bred light Horses, possessing size, quality, and substance, 4 and 5 years old, in grand condition. Specially selected by Mr. Doyle to suit the requirements of Indian buyers.
Included in the above are several well-matched pairs of carriage horses.

PRODUCE SALES.

SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.
SALES by auction will be held TO-DAY, THURSDAY, as under:—
HAIR, HORNS, and BONES.—At the Various Stores, at 9.30 a.m.

THIS DAY, MAY 11th, AT 11 O'CLOCK.

AT 10 WESTMORELAND-STREET, FOREST LODGE.

J. BROWN and CO. will sell by auction the SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and APPOINTMENTS of first-class make and in good condition.

MAG. WALNUT COLLARD and COLLARD PIANO. This instrument, of fine tone and in most excellent order, can with confidence be RECOMMENDED.
SPLENDID IRON-FRAME PIANO, by eminent maker, imported by Paling and Co., cost 55 gns. Real WALNUT BOOKCASE, fitted with SECRETAIRE and all CONVENIENCES.
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IMPROVED BRALE SEWING MACHINE, nearly new. DUCHESSE PAIR and Ware, OILCLOTH, LINOLEUM, ICECHEST, SIDEBOARD, SAFE, MANGLE (nearly new), TABLES, CHAIRS.
GLASS, CHINA, E.P. WARE. Fish in Bowl, WALNUT CENTRE TABLE, Large CHEST DRS., and all Effects of Residence.
The AUCTIONEER Reserves the Right of ADMISSION to SALE or INSPECTION.
Also, SHELTER SHED for BUGGY.

Auction Sales.

INGLIS AND SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m. sharp,
Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipdrays, and Harness.
At 12 o'clock,
Horses and Vehicles of every description.
Specially advertised. Tel., 1381.

TO CARRIERS, CONTRACTORS, and OTHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Messrs PHILIP RHODES and CO. to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
3 Heavy Draught Horses, staunch and reliable; 2 first-class Saddle and Harness Horses; 3 Tipdrays, 1 Town Dray, and 1 Sulky, all in good repair.

TIP-TOP SULKY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Owner to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
A first-class Sulky Turnout.

HORSE and 3 VEHICLES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. R. OSGOOD to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Chestnut Gelding, D.S. Buggy with hood, and Harness; Pony Phaeton, Buggy, and Village Cart, all in good order.
WITHOUT RESERVE.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the owner to sell, by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
THE FAITHFUL, Bay Gelding, by Niagara, dam Faith, a fir...class performer. Without Reserve.

SULKY TURNOUT, &c.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Iron-grey Mare, quiet in harness, with Sulky and Harness, in first-class order; also a second-hand Sulky.

WEIGHT-CARRIER.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. Bolton to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Handsome Bay Cob, 15.2, by Reprieve, thickly set, up to 20 stone, broken to saddle and harness, just from Bega.

RELIABLE PONY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Dk.-grey Pony, by Tom Thumb, 14 hands, 5 years, a good pony for city use, quiet to trams or trains, suit a lady or children.

FIRST-CLASS PONY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Brown Pony Mare, 13.1, broken to saddle, and has been in harness.

2 SADDLE and HARNESS HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Handsome Cream Pony, prize taker; broken to saddle and harness
Fast Trotting Cob, broken to harness.

4 HORSES and 3 PONIES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
4 quiet Saddle and Harness Horses
3 very nice Ponies, broken to saddle and harness.

TO PRIVATE GENTLEMEN and OTHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. R. Walker to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, TO-MORROW, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
Superior Oppenheim Buggy, with Pole and Harness, in splendid condition
Pony, Sulky, and Harness, in good order.
Thoroughbred Chestnut Gelding, very handsome, thoroughly broken to saddle and harness, Sulky and Harness, making one of the best lots in the city.

TO RACING MEN and OTHERS.

4 RACING PONIES, from GRAFTON.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Owner, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, TO-MORROW, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
The well-known Racing Ponies Blarney, Anne, Bolyne, and Small Talk. Full particulars at sale. The above have just arrived by steamer from Grafton.

MILCH COWS. MILCH COWS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
On account of Messrs. S. M'Minn, T. Briggs, D. Buffier, M'Intosh Bros., H. Dunn, and other owners,
60 first-class Milch Cows, in full milk, with young calves at foot, from the best dairies in the Southern and Hunter districts.
At half-past 3 o'clock,
80 first-class Dry and Fat Cattle.

BUTCHERS. BUTCHERS. BUTCHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, George-street, THIS DAY, at half-past 2 o'clock,
40 Prime Fat Calves, from Oberon
20 Ditto ditto ditto, from Picton.
30 Ditto ditto ditto, from Rooty Hill
50 Ditto ditto Pigs, from Camden
20 Ditto ditto ditto, from Goulburn
20 Ditto ditto ditto, from Menangle
30 Ditto ditto ditto, from Suburban Owners.

PURE-BRED AYRSHIRE COW.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. S. M'Minn to sell by auction at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP,
1 Pure-bred Ayrshire Cow, with young calf, exceptionally good milker, giving 20 quarts per day, very quiet.

WEEKLY STOCK SALE.

ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Sydney Stock Saleyards, Quay-street, off George-street South, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
Milch Cows and Springers.
At half-past 2,
Fat Vealers, Porkers, Baconers, Store Pigs
Dry and Fat Cattle.

GOODS for Wright, Heaton's Six-ton Trucks received daily, Lackey-st., Darling Harbour. Tel., 2047.

CRITERION THEATRE.
Sole Lessee and Manager ... Mr. Geo. Rignold.
Stage Manager ... Mr. J. H. Nunn.

"We'll have a proof, by that which we will do, Wives may be merry, and yet honest too."

LAST EIGHT NIGHTS of
THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR
THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR.
LAST EIGHT NIGHTS
of
Mr. GEO. RIGNOLD
as FALSTAFF.

MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR.

THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING,
FORT-STREET SCHOOL THEATRE NIGHT.
TO-MORROW (FRIDAY) EVENING,
UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' THEATRE NIGHT.

Prices as usual. Box Plan at Nicholson's. Doors open 7.15. Early doors (6d extra), 6.55. Commence 7.45. Carriages at 10.40.
ERNEST BLACKSTONE, Treasurer.

CRITERION THEATRE.
TO-MORROW (FRIDAY) EVENING.
V.R. COMMAND NIGHT.
Under the Patronage and in the Presence of H. E. Sir Fredk. Darley, Lieut.-Governor, Lady Darley, and Suite.
MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR.

CRITERION THEATRE.
SATURDAY, May 20th.
Grand Production of
THE THREE MUSKETEERS,
an entirely original Dramatisation of the famous Novel, by Bernard Espinasse and George Rignold.

SIGNOR ROSSI, Teacher Guitar, Mandolin, Banjo, Violin. Pupils passed exams. 177 Macquarie-st. N.

BRIGHTON RACING CLUB.
PONY AND GALLOWAY MEETING.
TO-DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 11th.
TO-DAY. TO-DAY. TO-DAY.
First Race at 2.45 p.m.
Ordinary Trains at 12.10, 1.10, 2.10, 2.35 p.m.
Special Train at 1.55 p.m.
Train, Tram, and Paddock, 4s only.
Train, Tram, and Flat, 2s only.
J. DEEBLE, Jun., Sec.
13 Tattersall's Club-chambers, Pitt-street.

SYDNEY CRICKET GROUND.
FOOTBALL. FOOTBALL.
MARRICKVILLE v. UNIVERSITY.
PARRAMATTA v. SYDNEY.
NEXT SATURDAY,
May 13.

"POPS."—Newbury, Wiegand, Perry, &c., at the "Pops." next Saturday.

FITZGERALD BROTHERS' HUGE COMBINED
CIRCUS. | SHOWS. | MENAGERIE.
LOCATION: OPP. REDFERN RAILWAY STATION.
SEVENTH WEEK.
REMEMBER, OUR SEASON IS DRAWING TO A CLOSE.
ALL NEW ACTS—ALL NEW FACES.
BRIGHT AND NOVEL FEATURES FROM EVERYWHERE.
THE WALDORF TROUPE in their Marvellous Statuary. WALDORF TROUPE The Greatest ever seen in Australia.
Mdlle. LEON, a Dashing Equestrienne, in a FIRE HOOP ACT.
AJAX ECLAIR, THE CROCODILE.
The Trick Pony, "POMPEY."
KISMET, the "HAUT ECOLE" Stallion, Ridden by "MDLLE. MILLIE DAGMAR."
"THE LITTLE ALABAMA COONS."
THE GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE.
THE SPLENDID MENAGERIE.
THE ELEPHANT LIZZIE AS AN ORGANIST.
THE TWO GREAT ANIMAL SENSATIONS.
A TIGER RIDING A HORSE,
Jumping on and off HIGH PEDESTALS to THE HORSE'S BACK.
THE MOST MARVELLOUS LEAPING ANIMAL in the WHOLE WORLD.
And
THE LION AND ELEPHANT TRICYCLE ACT.
THE GREATEST EVER WITNESSED.

SATURDAY NEXT.
SATURDAY NEXT.
AFTERNOON and NIGHT,
SECOND GRAND CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.
MORE STARTLING NOVELTIES.
First Appearance this Season of
"MAHOMET,"
THE ORIGINAL TALKING HORSE,
introduced by
Captain JACK SUTTON,
of Wild West Fame.

CHANGES OF PROGRAMME EVERY SATURDAY DURING OUR SYDNEY SEASON.

NEXT MATINEE, SATURDAY.
NEXT MATINEE, SATURDAY.

Doors open at 2 o'clock. Performance commences at 3.
CHILDREN SIXPENCE. CHILDREN SIXPENCE to all parts of the Tent (except Dress Circle) to Day Shows Only.
The splendid Band, under the supervision of Herr von der Mehden, gives a Free Concert Every Evening and Afternoon Shows in front of the tent.

DOORS OPEN at 7: PERFORMANCE at 8.
PRICES: 4s, 3s, 2s, and ONE SHILLING. Children Half-price to all parts except the Pit.
Box Plan at Nicholson's Music Warehouse and Australia Hotel.
J. MORRIS, Principal Agent.
FRANK JONES, Press Representative.

"POPS."—Philip Newbury sings "Where'er you Walk" at the "Pops." next Saturday.

EDEN PHOTO STUDIOS.

(COMPARE OUR PRICE).
12 FINE-ART CABINETS
and
AN ENLARGEMENT ON OPAL,
SIZE 12 x 10,
for 8s 6d.

THE LEADING STUDIOS.

Auction Sales.

DARLINGHURST.

THIS DAY, MAY 11th, at 11 A.M.

HIGHLY ATTRACTIVE SALE BY AUCTION,
at
20 ROSEBANK-STREET, DARLINGHURST.

The whole of the
SUPERIOR FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS.

Under instructions from
Mrs. B. SCOTT,
who is relinquishing housekeeping.

SPLENDID UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE, by A. GRAND, in walnut case, imported through Messrs. Bruce and Massey.
ELECTROPLATE, GLASSWARE, and CROCKERY
DRAWING-ROOM OCCASIONAL SUITE, in best silk tapestry and plush, with walnut frames
VERY HANDSOME and LOFTY OVERMANTEL
CARPETS, TABLES, PICTURES, and HANGINGS
Baronial Sideboard with heavy bevelled plateglass back
SOLID MAHOGANY DINING-ROOM SUITE, with maroon leather coverings
EXTENSION DINING TABLE
DINNER WAGGON, &c., &c.

The contents of several
WELL-APPOINTED BEDROOMS,
DOUBLE and SINGLE BEDSTEADS, furnished with sanitary Woven-wire Mattresses and best Bedding, complete
STAINED WALNUT SUITES
Chests Drawers, Washstands and Ware, &c., &c.
HOUSEHOLD LINEN and DAMASK.

KITCHEN and LAUNDRY UTENSILS.
GAS COOKING STOVE.

POT PLANTS, &c.

HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY will conduct the above SALE by AUCTION on the Premises, 20 ROSEBANK-STREET, DARLINGHURST, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 11th, at 11 a.m.

To the Drapery Trade, Country Buyers, Dealers, and Others.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION.

AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET,
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 11,
at 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.

STOCK of GENERAL DRAPERY, CLOTHING, &c.,
consisting of
MEN'S and YOUTHS' CLOTHING, TROUSERS, TROS. and VESTS
FLANNELETTE and CRIMEAN SHIRTS, HARVARD
MERINO UNDERSHIRTS and PANTS, FLANNEL
FLANNELETTE, DRESS MATERIALS, CALICOES
SHEETING, HOSIERY, SCARVES, WOOLLENS
MEN'S SOFT and HARD FELT HATS,
&c., &c.

A. TRAVERSI and CO. will sell the above at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, May 11, at 11 o'clock sharp.

TO THE FURNISHING TRADE, COUNTRY BUYERS, and OTHERS.

At the ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, MAY 12,
at 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.

On account of those concerned.

NOW LANDED, ex "BRILLIANT."

SPECIALLY SELECTED SHIPMENT
of
87 SUPERIOR WALNUT OVERMANTELS,
in
the Latest and Newest Designs.
Also,
45 PACKAGES RATTAN FURNITURE.
Also,
60 PERFORATED SETTEE BACKS AND SEATS,
32in. x 5ft. 7in.

A. TRAVERSI and CO. will sell the above shipment, at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, May 12, at 11 o'clock sharp.

On the Premises, YULE-STREET, MARRICKVILLE,
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 11th, at 11 o'clock.
Owner leaving colony.
CONTENTS of NICE, CLEAN, FURNISHED VILLA.
Brass-mounted Double Bed and Bedding.
Dining-room Furniture.
Single Beds, Combination Chest, Chairs, Oilcloth.
Kitchen Requisites, &c., &c.

GEO. P. BAINES, 205 Pitt-street, sells Without Reserve.

GENUINE CLEARANCE AUCTION SALE.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 11th, at 2.30 p.m.
CONTENTS of 4-RMD. HOUSE.
Under Positive Instructions.
No. 28 Stanley-terrace, Stanley-street, Camperdown, near Home of Hope.
Double Brass Bed, Brass-mounted Cot,
Dining Table, Austrian Chairs,
Kitchen Requirements,
Ornaments, Glassware, &c. &c.

GEO. P. BAINES, of 205 Pitt-street, invites Buyers and others to this Sale, which will take place at half-past 2, ABSOLUTELY NO RESERVE.

AUCTION SALE FURNITURE, NEARLY NEW.
To Private Buyers and Dealers and the Trade.
No. 170 PADDINGTON-STREET, PADDINGTON,
FRIDAY, MAY 12th, at 11 o'clock.
BONA-FIDE UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE.
Massive Walnut Sideboard, with large Bevel Plate Mirrors carved and finished best style, Drawers, Cellarette, and Cupboards, Brass Mounted and Chased Panels
Two Heavy Brass-mounted Tubular Bedsteads
Walnut Bedroom Suite, bevel glass, Pedestal Cupboard
One Pair Toilets, large size, Queen Anne style
Dining-room Suite, stuffed backs covered in leather
Massive Dining Table, on castors, 7ft. in length
E. Plated Cake Stand, Cruets, Teapot, and Cutlery
Doulton Dinner Ware, Derby Teaset, Handsome Vases
Carpets, Pictures, Glassware, and Ornaments
One High-arm Cabinet Singer Machine, new
Enclosed Dresser, Glass Doors, quantity useful Furniture, being Contents Well-furnished Home.

GEO. P. BAINES, 205 Pitt-street, has pleasure in inviting Buyers to this Sale of Superior Furniture. Buyers should attend, as I sell every line Without Reserve.

To Fancy Goods Buyers, Storekeepers, &c.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY.

ABSOLUTELY UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE.

JAMES RODD and CO. will sell by auction in their Rooms, 7 Wynyard-street, TO-MORROW, at 11,
The Stock of Fancy Goods Retailer, who has given up business.
Fancy Goods, Toys, Dolls, Games, Stationery, Work-boxes, Soaps, Books, Accordeons, Cutlery, Spoons, Pipes, &c., &c., &c.
Splendid lot Baskets (various).

NO RESERVE.

To Sewerage Contractors, Engineers, and Machinery Buyers.

ABSOLUTE CLEARANCE SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION. THIS DAY, May 11th, at 11 a.m.

On the Premises of Messrs. BRAMSTON and BRAMSTON, 45 Engine-street, Haymarket.

JAMES COWAN, Machinery Auctioneer, will sell on the above premises, a large assortment of Plant and Machinery, comprising 3 Tangye Steam Pumps, 3 Pair Blacksmith's Bellows (48in., 36in., and 40in.), Light and Heavy Steel Rails, Contractor's Waggons, Mining Trucks, Barrows, Universal Picks, Steel Hammers, Portable Forges, Lamps, 200 sheets Galv. Iron (6, 7, 8 ft.), Miner's Ratchets, Scrap Iron, large quantity of Sundries.
TERMS, CASH. NO RESERVE.

THIS DAY, at 2.30.
MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction at Hay and George sts., Haymarket, Brussels Carpet, Drawing and Dining Room Furniture, Overmantels, Chests of Drawers, Austrian Chairs, Couches, Bedsteads, Spring Mattresses, Beds, Pictures, Washstands, &c. No reserve.

Auction Sales.

TO FURNITURE BUYERS, DEALERS, and OTHERS.

THIS DAY, May 11th,
at 11 o'clock.

At our well-known Auction Rooms,
113 and 115 BATHURST-STREET.

SUPERIOR FURNITURE
and
HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS.

3 UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOS.

TABLE GRANDE PIANO, by BORD, suitable for concert or dance room.

GLASS, CHINA, and E.P. WARE.

DRAWING-ROOM SUITES, in tapestry
BAMBOO SUITES
CARPETS and LINOLEUM
HEARTHRUGS
WHATNOTS, OVERMANTELS.

MASSIVE DINING-ROOM FURNITURE
8 x 4 EXTENSION DINING TABLE, Patent Screw
MASSIVE DINING-ROOM SUITE
SEVERAL VERY FINE SIDEBOARDS.

THE FURNISHINGS OF SEVERAL BEDROOMS.
2 BEAUTIFUL BEDSTEADS, heavily brass-mounted, with mother-of-pearl spindles, &c.
DOUBLE-WIRE MATTRESS and KAPOK MATTRESS.

3 VERY FINE BEDROOM SUITES
Large 3-wing Wardrobe, pair Cheval Toilets, Pedestal Cupboard, and Towel Rail.

2 SMALLER BEDROOM SUITES.

Cedar CHESTS DRAWERS, WARDROBES, TOILETS, WASHSTANDS and WARE, OIL PAINTINGS and OLEOGRAPHS, SAFES, CHIFFONIERS, KITCHEN DRESSERS, CULINARY REQUISITES, and SUNDRIES.

DALWOOD AND CO. have received instructions from the EXECUTORS in an ASSIGNED ESTATE and other VENDORS to sell the above,
WITHOUT RESERVE.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

GREAT UNRESERVED SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

BRASS and IRON BEDSTEADS, heavy brass-mounted, and beautifully inlaid with Mother-o'-Pearl, in sizes 4ft. 6in., 4ft., 3ft. 6in., 3ft., 2ft. 6in.
Wire-woven Mattresses, American Austrian Chairs, Batton Chairs, Bedroom Chairs.

Finest Quality KAPOK BEDDING, HORSEHAIR MATTRESSES, FLOCK MATTRESSES.

FURNITURE, consisting
BEDROOM SUITES, SIDEBOARDS in Stained Walnut, SIDEBOARDS, Combination Chests of Drawers, Washstands, PAIRS TOILETS, Garden Seats, Coir Matting, LINOLEUMS, STAIR CARPETS, RATTAN FURNITURE, BAMBOO SUITES, OVERMANTELS. Handsome BED DRAPERIES.

DALWOOD AND CO. have received instructions from Messrs. JOHN LAWLER and SONS to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, May 11th, at 11 o'clock.
The WHOLE of their SUPERB OPEN STOCK, as above,
ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

As Messrs. LAWLER and SONS have determined to relinquish the Retail portion of their Business, and having let their Front Shop known as 610 GEORGE-STREET, they will continue their Business of Manufacturing of High-class Bedding and Patent Wire Mattresses, and Patent Bedsteads, and the importation of Chairs, Kapok, and Iron Bedsteads, in their BULK STORES and FACTORIES, Nos. 6, 8, 10 UNION-LANE, at the rear of their present GEORGE-STREET WAREHOUSE.

To the Retail Trade, Speculators, Hawkers, Dealers, and the Public Generally.
FRIDAY NEXT, at 11 o'clock,
165 KING-STREET, NEWTOWN,
on the Premises, WITHOUT RESERVE.
STOCK-IN-TRADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, comprising Stationery, Basketware, School Books, Toys, Fancy Glass and Crockeryware, Dolls, Picture Frames, Writing Desks, Work Boxes, Chinese Lanterns, School Bags, Fancy Leather Ware, Vases, Slates, Pencils, Pens, &c., &c.
Also, Large Circular Outside Lamp, fitted with incandescent burners.
About 12 doz. English Sample Mortice, Rim, and Pad Locks, Latches and Door Knobs.
Single and D. & T. I. Bedsteads, complete, with Blankets, Sheets, &c.
Satincloth Tap. Suite
Cedar and Pine Tables, Dresser
Kitchen Utensils, Linoleum, Bench, Packing Cases, &c., &c.

DALWOOD and CO. have received instructions from Mr. Whitehead, who is giving up business and leaving the colony, to sell as above, WITHOUT RESERVE.
The Auctioneers would like to draw special attention to this IMPORTANT SALE, as the stock is perfectly new, in fact just opened up, but business abroad compels the owner to realise at once.
WITHOUT THE SLIGHTEST RESERVE.

To BUILDERS, POULTRY FARMERS, and Others.

The BUILDING MATERIALS of two-story Weatherboard House and Stables at
14 ORMOND-STREET, PADDINGTON, near Town Hall.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, May 12th,
at 11 o'clock.

100 Sheets Gal. Iron, 6's, 7's, 8's, 2000ft. H.W. Weather B. 2000 lin. 1 lining, 1000 6 x 1 Kauri Flooring Boards Hardwood (long lengths), Doors, Sashes, Staircase Gas Piping, Fuel, Stove, and Sundries.
The whole of the materials are equal to new.

DALWOOD AND CO. have received instructions to sell Without Reserve.

THIS DAY, May 11th,
at the
City Mart, 8 Spring-street,
at 11.30.
Shipments of CEYLON and INDIAN TEAS,
now landing
ex ROME and EURYALUS,
508 PACKAGES,
as catalogued.

By order of Messrs. FRASER, RAMSAY, and CO.,
and for
Other Accounts.
The Teas comprised in this week's Catalogue will be found most suitable for all requirements.

FRASER, UTHER, and CO. will sell by auction as above.

TUESDAY, MAY 16th, AT THE CITY MART,
8 Spring-street, at 11 o'clock.

SCHOONER THREE CHEERS,
100 Tons Register.
A Very Fast Sailer and in Splendid Order. Will Carry 150 Tons, or 90,000ft. Timber.

METALLED Last June, and Ready for Sea.

A Splendid PEARLSHELL Store Ship or Island Trader.

Inspection Invited at Drake's Dock, Balmain.

By Order of Mr. Justus Scharff, Agent for Owner.

FRASER, UTHER, and CO. will sell by auction as above,
The Fine N.Z.-built Schooner THREE CHEERS.

Particulars at Sale.

THIS DAY, at 11 a.m., GUILLE and CO. will auction, at King-street, Newtown, near Watkins-street, WITHOUT RESERVE,
Stock-in-trade of a Wine Shop, Furniture, &c., Casks, Utensils, Tables, Chairs, Ice Chest, &c., &c. Terms, Cash.

ARNOTT'S

MILK ARROWROOTS,

THE CHILDREN'S BISCUITS.

ASK FOR ARNOTT'S.

Auction Sales.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,
MAY 12th, at ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.,
at
LAWSON and SMITH'S
AUCTION ROOMS, 128, 130 PITT-STREET,
NEAR KING-STREET.

The whole of the
SUPERIOR FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS,
removed from a Residence
at
PADDINGTON,
also
ON ACCOUNT OF OTHER INTERESTS,
comprising

GLASSWARE, CHINA, and ELECTROPLATE.

DINING-ROOM FURNITURE.

WALNUT SIDEBOARD, size 6ft., fitted with bevelled plate-glass mirror back, side shelves and canopy top, the underneath portion conveniently arranged with drawers, cupboards, and cellarette.

DINING-ROOM SUITE, upholstered in maroon leather; nine pieces.

EIGHT-FEET TELESCOPE DINING TABLE, with patent screw and spare leaves.

WALNUT OVERMANTELS,
BORDERED BRUSSELS CARPET SQUARES.

DRAWING-ROOM APPOINTMENTS.

DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, upholstered in tapestry and plush.

RATTAN FURNITURE.

WALNUT UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE by RONISCH, in splendid order, and can be highly recommended, possessing fine quality of tone, combined with perfect touch and resonance.
Also,
SEVERAL OTHER SECOND-HAND PIANOFORTES.

BEDROOM FURNITURE.

DOUBLE and SINGLE HALF-TESTER BEDSTEADS, with woven wire mattresses and bedding complete.
Also,
A LARGE AND MISCELLANEOUS ASSORTMENT of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.

KITCHEN and LAUNDRY UTENSILS,
&c., &c., &c.

JAMES R. LAWSON,
LAWSON and SMITH,
has been favoured with instructions to conduct the important sale by auction, as above,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,
MAY 12th, AT 11 A.M.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

PADDINGTON.

TO THE BICYCLE TRADE AND IMPORTERS.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION,
on
MONDAY, 15th MAY, at ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.,
on the Premises,
26 OXFORD-STREET, PADDINGTON.

Under instructions from
J. J. STEVENS, Esq.,
trading as the WELLINGTON CYCLE CO.,
of
LONDON, SYDNEY, and BLAYNEY,
in consequence of
CLOSING THE SYDNEY BRANCH.

ABOUT 50 BICYCLES, "WELLINGTON," and various other Makers.

UNFINISHED MACHINES, RIMS and SPOKES, BELLS, LAMPS, MACHINE OILS, and SUNDRY FITTINGS.
Also,
ENAMELLING STOVE, size 6ft., 3in. x 3ft. x 3ft., by GOODYEAR and SONS, DUDLEY.
BRAZING FORGE, by GOODYEAR and SONS, DUDLEY.
SMITH'S FORGE.
STEEL-TURNING LATHE, 4in. centre, slide rest; American Chucks, and Lot of Tools.
FOUR LEG VICES, GRINDSTONE, STEEL TUBES, &c., &c., &c.

JAMES R. LAWSON,
LAWSON and SMITH,
has been favoured with instructions from J. J. STEVENS, Esq., to conduct the Important Sale by Auction as above,
on
MONDAY, 15th MAY, 1899,
AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

ORDER OF SALE.
SHARES,
CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
to be
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION
at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m.,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY.

SHARES.—Civil Service Co-operative Society of New South Wales.
CITY.—Double-frontage Block, Elizabeth and Castlereagh streets, next Synagogue, together with Nos. 168 and 170 Castlereagh-street, and No. 191 Elizabeth-street thereon.
DITTO.—Three Houses, Nos. 516 to 520 Kent-street, between Bathurst and Liverpool streets. Deceased Estate.
REDFERN.—House, No. 40 Douglas street, between Turner and Boundary streets. Deceased Estate.
GLEBE POINT.—Residence, "Dalston," No. 118 Glebe Point-road, between Mitchell-street and St. John's-road. Leasehold. Deceased Estate.
NEWTOWN.—Two Cottages, Nos. 24 and 26 Don-street, between Station and Leiby streets. Deceased Estate.
NORTH SYDNEY.—Allotment, Junction-street, between Alfred and Arthur streets.
DITTO.—Block of 21a. 1r. 13½p., fronting Lane Cove-road, little west of Greenwich-road.
DITTO.—Block of 23a. 2r. 32p., Lane Cove-road, Gore Hill, opposite Hi...ham-parade.
DITTO.—20a. 2r. 24½p., Longueville-road, adjoining Rothwell Estate.
DITTO.—25a. 2r. 28p., Tambourine and Burns Bay roads, between Lane Cove-road and Riverview College.
DITTO.—25a. 2r. 22½p., Willoughby-road, Park-road, Garland and Central streets, at Flat Rock Bridge.
DITTO.—10 Acres, Railway line, Herbert-street and Lamb's-road, close to St. Leonards station.
DITTO.—22a. 1r. 11½p., railway line, Gore's road and Frederick-street, close to St. Leonards station.
GREENWICH.—9 acres and 17 perches, Gore's Bay, Parramatta River, with House thereon.
CAMPERDOWN.—Cottage, No. 4 Burton-street.
PARISH OF GORDON.—D. Fisher's Grant of 50a. 2r., Lane Cove River, three miles from Lindfield.
LEICHHARDT.—Lots, Mary and Perry streets, west Callan Park Estate.
FAIRFIELD.—Various Lots, Boyd and King's Subdivision.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH Limited.

ARTARMON.

LAND SALE, SATURDAY, 13th MAY.

ARTARMON ESTATE, No. 2, consisting of 63 Villa Sites.

ARTARMON ESTATE, No. 2, fronts Mowbray-road.

ARTARMON ESTATE, No. 2, only 8 minutes from Railway Station.

ARTARMON is the Station Sydney side of Chatswood.

TORRENS TITLE.

ARTARMON,

Terms extend over 3 years.

NORTH SHORE

LITHOS. OBTAINABLE.

RAILWAY LINE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.,
in conjunction with
(3787) RAINE and HORNE.

SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

SATURDAY, MAY 13, at 3.30,
On the Grounds.
Two Blocks of LAND, situated close to Hurstville station, Hurstville, portion of the Carysfoot Estate, Blocks 35 and 36, being 66 x 165, corner of Carysfort and Northcote streets, only 430 yards from station, and surrounded by first-class Villa Residences.

THE PADDINGTON AGENCY COMPANY have been favoured with instructions from the Trustees to sell as above.
No Reserve.
Each Block must be sold to wind up the Estate.
Easy terms can be arranged.
J. A. Gorrick, Esq., solicitor for the vendors, Philip street.

GOODS for Wright, Heaton's Six-ton Trucks received daily, Lackey-st., Darling Harbour. Tel., 2047.

Auction Sales.

ORDER OF SALE
SHARES and PROPERTIES to be Submitted
by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
THIS DAY,
at 11.30 a.m.,
by
HUGH DUFF and CO., at their SALE ROOMS, 109 PITT-STREET.

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Further particulars on application to the Auctioneers,
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SALE OF MORTGAGED PROPERTIES.

By Order of the Executors in the Estate of the late RICHARD HOUSE TERRY.

FOR POSITIVE SALE, TO CLOSE ACCOUNTS.

GRANVILLE.—2 Cottages, built of W.B., each containing 5 rooms, kit., w'house, let to Messrs. Johnson and Black, having a frontage of 80ft. to RAILWAY-STREET by 100ft. deep. Freehold.
GRANVILLE.—Block of Land, 100ft. 3in. to WILLIAM-STREET by 50ft., being lot 8, sec. A of a subdivision. Torrens.
GRANVILLE.—Brick Cottage, KENDALL-STREET, occupied by Mr. Greville, containing 5 rooms, and pantry, land 50 x 150. Freehold title.
GRANVILLE.—2 brick Cottages, ELLERSLEY and ENDYMION, fronting HEWLETT-STREET, each containing 6 rooms, kit., bath, &c., stable, land 13ft. frontage by 156ft. deep. Title freehold.
GRANVILLE.—Brick Cottage, ONSLOW-STREET, containing 7 rooms, large stable, and shed, land 40ft. x 124ft. Torrens.
GRANVILLE.—2 Brick Dwellings, let to Mrs. Cain and Mrs. Runge, FIRST-STREET, corner of FACTORY-STREET, one containing 12 rooms, kit., and one 5 rooms and shop, having 40ft. frontage by 117ft. 2in. deep along a lane. Torrens Title.
GRANVILLE.—Four Allotments fronting MILTON-STREET, each having 33ft., by depths from 85ft. to 100ft. Title Torrens.
PARRAMATTA.—2 Cottages and Laundry, DIXON-ST.
PARRAMATTA.—Cottage, 4 rooms, let to Mrs. Mills, having a frontage of 75ft. 4in. to FENNELL-STREET, by 165ft. deep.
HARRIS PARK.—2 W.B. Cottages, each 4 rooms, bath, pantry, copper, washhouse, &c., in WIGRAM-STREET, occupied by Mr. Stevens and Mr. Whitman, together with w.b. stable and workshop at rear. Land 82ft. x 150ft. on one side, and 160ft. deep on the other side to lane at rear. Torrens.
HARRIS PARK.—Brick Cottage, MARION-STREET, let to Mr. Loft, containing 5 rooms, and has frontage of 53ft. by 120ft. to a lane at rear. Torrens.
AUBURN.—Cottage of 4 rooms and kitchen, and Brick Yard, fronting HIGHGATE and RUSSELL STREETS, land contains 2a. 3r. 27½p. Freehold.
AUBURN.—Brick Cottage of 5 rooms, fronting BARKER-STREET, having a frontage of 50ft. by 75ft. Freehold title. In the occupation of Mrs. Carlsson.
BRUSH FARM.—Lot 1, Section 3, having 66ft. to BRUSH-ROAD by 240ft. deep; Lot 5, sec. 3, 66ft. to BRUSH-ROAD by 254ft. Torrens.
GOSFORD.—Allotment No. 44, having 5 chains frontage to ALBANY-STREET, 5 chains to FREDERICK-STREET, by 7 chains deep. Freehold title.
BEXLEY.—Three Dwellings fronting KINGSLAND-ROAD and BAY VIEW-ROAD, off Harrow-road, land 3a. 1r. 20½p., being lots 5 and 6, sec. A, of ALPHINGTON PARK ESTATE.

J. E. GREEN and CO. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction in their Rooms, 130 Pitt-street, Sydney, at 11.30 o'clock, THIS DAY, 11th May.

ORDER OF SALE

THIS DAY, THURSDAY,
at the Rooms, 250 Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m.

CITY, 141 Macquarie-street South.—Brick Residence, 8 rooms, kit., &c. Also, No. 4 Beauchamp-street.—W.B. Cottage, 3 rooms, kitchen. Torrens title. Land 14ft. by 80ft.
CHIPPENDALE, 20 Middle-street.—Semi-detached brick House, 6 rooms, &c., land 12ft. x 60ft.
BUNDANOON, Imperative Sale.—A magnificent little Orchard of 2 acres, abundant supply of water, 100 fruit trees, 300 gooseberry and various other kinds, stone Cottage, 4 rooms, &c.; also slab Cottage, 3 rooms; household furniture, garden tools, &c.
ANNANDALE.—A splendid Building Site, having a frontage of 35ft. to the Crescent by 198ft.
ALEXANDRIA.—A splendid Corner Block, 30ft. 3in. to Henderson-road by 101ft. 3in. along Alexander-street.
DRUMMOYNE, Renwick-street and King's-road.—Land, 30ft. by 101ft. and 100ft.
GUILDFORD, Albert-parade.—W.B. Cottage, 3 rooms, &c., land 66ft. by 148ft. 6in. Also, Land, Carrington-road, 80ft. by 160ft., and Station-street, 80ft. by 150ft., being lots 44 to 47 and 68 to 71, sec. A, Guildford Township Estate.
GUILDFORD, Carrington-road.—W.B. Cottage, 4 rooms and kit., sheds, dairy, &c., 100 fruit trees, 30 grape vines, stock 5 cows, 2 pigs, 12 fowls, land abt. 2a.
CARLINGFORD.—Land, facing railway line, 132ft. by 145ft., part of Government subdivision.
PETERSHAM, Allen's-avenue.—Pair semi-detached brick Dwellings, Glenbrook and Fairview, 4 rooms and kit., rentals £56 12s per annum, land 33ft. by about 120ft. Title Torrens.
ENFIELD, Mina Rosa street.—Land, 52ft. by 107ft., also lot 8, 66ft. by 107ft., next to Mr. West's property.
ENFIELD, Liverpool-road and Anselm-street.—W.B. Cottage, 4 rooms and kitchen, land 80ft. by 330ft.
E. C. V. BROUGHTON,
Auctioneer.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales.
In Equity.

MERRIMAN v. THE PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COMPANY, Limited, and Others.

BY DIRECTION of the MASTER IN EQUITY.

AUCTION SALE of VALUABLE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY at SUMMER HILL.

The Property consists of that parcel of land having a frontage to the LIVERPOOL-ROAD, Summer Hill, of 100ft., with a depth through to Grosvenor-crescent, to which it has a frontage of 40ft. On the land is erected that desirable residence known as

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built of brick, on brick and cement foundations, with slate roof, and containing entrance hall, double drawing-room, breakfast-room, large dining-room, billiard-room, 5 bedrooms, 2 servants' rooms, bathroom, linen-press, lavatory, kitchen, pantry, scullery, laundry, &c.; balconies and tiled verandahs; iron railing on stone coping.

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The residential buildings are substantially built and well finished, with massive marble mantels, solid cedar fittings, &c., and the grounds are tastefully laid out and in splendid order.
The premises are now in the occupancy of Geo. R. Wise, Esq. Applications to inspect may be made to the Auctioneers.

TUESDAY, the 16th of MAY, 1899,
at the Rooms of the Auctioneers,
3 Lackey-street, Summer Hill,
AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

STANTON and SON, by direction of the Master in Equity, will sell as above.

TITLE UNDER TORRENS ACT.

The terms are liberal and the rate of interest low—5 per cent. deposit and the balance on completion, or at option of purchaser the balance may remain on mortgage from 3 to 5 years, as may be agreed, with interest at 5 per cent., payable quarterly.

TRAINS leave Redfern station on day of sale at 9.5, 10.5, and 10.35 a.m.

Further particulars may be obtained and conditions of sale inspected at the office of
Mr. GEO. M. LAURENCE,
Solicitor,
Beresford-chambers, 80 Castlereagh-street.

8 CHOICE ALLOTMENTS at ANNANDALE.

SATURDAY, 13th instant, on the Ground.

G. HASLINGARN has been favoured with instructions from E. A. Betts and Co., 155 Phillip-street, to sell as above,
7 Allotments in Collins and Annandale streets
4 Allotments, corner of Albion and Nelson streets.
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MADAM CORA, Palmist, 41 Castlereagh-st., 2 doors from Hotel Australia, top floor. Hours, 11 to 4.

PROFESSOR HAWK, Seance To-night, 1s. 722 Harris-st., 2 doors from George-st.

SPIRITUALISM.—Messrs. F. Andersen and Franks, Dev. C. To-night, 8, 22 Pitt-st. R. vac. for Mem. 6d.

ABELL, Clairvoyant.—Mrs. Barr daily; Seance, Thurs., Fri., 8 p.m.; when distant send lock hair. Temp. H.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The Japanese steamer Yawata Maru, which recently landed 40 Japanese at Thursday Island, brings 3 for Townsville and 10 for Brisbane. Instructions have been issued that these men are not be allowed to land unless they can prove they are neither artisans nor labourers.

It is understood that the tender (£9059) of Mr. Vincent, of Sydney, will be accepted for the erection of new railway workshops at Ipswich.

A Commission, consisting of Sir Hugh Nelson, Hons. W. H. Wilson, and A. H. Barlow, has been appointed to open Parliament and administer the oaths to the newly-appointed members of the Council. The Premier, the Attorney-General, and the Treasurer will administer the oaths to members of the Assembly. Parliament will assemble on Tuesday, but the formal opening will be on Wednesday.

The resignation of three city aldermen was much discussed to-day. The three aldermen state their reason for resigning was the defiance to the chair offered by Alderman Higgs, and as a protest against the manner in which the proceedings of the council were lately conducted.

A bushman named "Broncho George" has been fined £175 on seven charges of illegally altering brands at Ayr, with the alternative of six months' imprisonment on each charge.

THE R.M.S. HIMALAYA AT ALBANY.

ALBANY, Wednesday.

The R.M.S. Himalaya, W. L. Broun commander, arrived from Colombo at 8 a.m. to-day. The passengers (saloon) are:—

For Sydney: Earl Beauchamp, Lady Mary Lygon, Lady Raglan, Lady Bertha Wilbraham, Hon. Lindsay, Hon. Violet Somerset, Mr. Justice Stephen, Major Armstrong, Miss Home, Messrs. Cockran, Laughton, Taylor, Shipster, Smith, Lilly, Wolfe, Parbury, Willett, Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt, Anderson, Hunter, Mesdames Guesdon and three daughters, Campbell, Smart and daughter, Bray, Jones, Captain and Mrs. Sandford and four children.

For Albany: Mr. Hocking.

For Adelaide: Mr. Kingsborough, Misses Boucout, Chisholm, Goodwin, Waterhouse and two children and infant and nurse, Mr. and Mrs. Riddoch.

For Melbourne: Mr. and Mrs. Lucena, Mr. and Mrs. Gilchrist, Messrs. Smith, Ellersbank, Joseph, Corbett, Raglesham, Misses Brown, Wilkie, Gordon, Ellersbank (2), Mrs. M'Bean and two children, Master Wilkie.

For Brisbane: Messrs. Chapman, Gataker, Harper.

For Hobart: Mr. Williams.

For Launceston: Mr. and Mrs. Clemons and two infants, Miss Clemons.

There are 56 for all ports in other classes. The Himalaya sailed for Adelaide at noon.

THE SAMOAN CRISIS.

ATTITUDE OF THE REBELS.

STATEMENT BY A PLANTER.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

The "Sydney Morning Herald" special correspondent at Apia states that Richardson, a planter near Apia, was practically kept a prisoner by the Mataafaites for six weeks, as the rebel camp was pitched close to his house. They would not let him go into Apia, and filled him with stories of their victories over the English and Americans. He had many talks with the Mataafa chiefs, and declares that some of them told him they did not want to fight against the white people, that they would be glad if England or America annexed the country, but that they would not stand being governed by a mere boy king. "Boys have no influence among Samoans," they said, "but we reverence our old men. We reverence Mataafa. We fight, not against white people, but against a boy king." Richardson declares that the rebels were well acquainted with every movement of our forces. They knew where the ships were going and where our forces were marching. Mataafa's village and all the line of forts from Fuluasou River to Vaeahill could have been blown to pieces with less than the number of shells that were fired at guesswork from the warships, and if only our officers had known where these places were he is certain they would not have lasted many hours. Richardson says Mataafa was in camp nearly all the time of the war, and that he only left it a few hours before the time specified in the armistice. He said that the rebels marched away declaring they were victorious over the English and the Americans and over the Malietoa party, and that they had only consented to wait in peace until the commissioners came, because they believed the commissioners would make Mataafa king.

An expedition of British sailors and 500 friendly natives visited the scene of the Vailele disaster for the purpose of seeing whether the Mataafa people had cleared beyond the eastern boundaries. F. B. Fisher, gunner's mate from the Philadelphia, was the only American with the forces. He had stated on the day of the fight that he had, acting on Lieutenant Lansdale's instructions, hidden the body of the Colt gun in a certain place, and believed he could find it. When they reached the scene of the fight Fisher said that he had hidden the gun under a heap of cocoanut leaves, and remarked, "It was somewhere about here, and if it was not in that heap it was in the next one," and sure enough, kicking at the next heap, he discovered the gun. It was rusty, but just in the position where it had been placed. Fisher showed where the gun was when Lansdale was first shot. It was on the side of the road near a wire fence. The ejector of the gun had failed to work, an empty case had remained in the breach, and the full cartridge coming up had caused the jam. Lansdale was sitting down close to the fence trying to clear the gun when he was shot in the leg. He then told Fisher to take the body of the gun and hide it. Fisher did so with the result that he was able to point out the spot weeks afterwards. The Philadelphia men were very pleased to get their gun back again.

AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

THE DUBBO SHOW.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

DUBBO, Wednesday.

Dubbo was fairly en fete on this the second day of the show. Visitors from the adjoining districts poured into town and about 7000 attended the grounds. The programme comprised attractive items, such as water jumping, hunters' contests, and trots. M. Grady's Tancred fenced admirably, and won the hunters' competition of £25. The water jump resulted in several involuntary baths for horses and riders. E. A. Fletcher's Castlebar and Grady's Tancred divided the honours. The Time Handicap Trot of £40, 2 miles, resulted in Wilkins and Kennedy's Alice H., scratch, winning from Lady Nutwood, 30 seconds behind, with Buckland's What, 50 seconds behind, third. Blood stock full of quality paraded the ring. W. A. Gardiner's Trenchant, gay as a two-year-old, won the championship, followed by J. Montgomery's Goodfellow, another handsome son of Trenton. R. Booth's colt, by Correze, attracted the attention of racing experts. Owing to the lateness of the hour the wood-chopping contest and the high jump were postponed till Thursday. The awards were as follows:—

Blood stallion, aged: W. A. Gardiner's Trenchant, 1; J. Montgomery's Goodfellow, 2. Two years: J. Rutherford, 1. One year: R. Booth, 1. Mare: J. Hull's Lillydale, 1; F. Martell's Balance, 2. Filly, two years: G. Edwards, 1. Yearling: F. E. Body, 1. Mare, with foal: J. Brown 1. Trotting mare: Wilkins and Kennedy, 1 and 2. Three-year-old trotter: J. Buckland, 1. Pony mare: H. Glover, 1. Pair plough horses: J. Hull, 1. Buggy pair: Buckland, 1; Body, 2. Buggy horse: Buckland, 1 and 2. Lady's buggy horse: J. Wilkinson, 1; W. Tye, 2. Four-in-hand: F. E. Body, 1. Buggy pair, grass-fed: F. E. Body, 1; Mack and Austin, 2. Tandem: A. Cowell, 1. Butcher's turnout: H. Edwards, 1. Fifteen-stone hackney: F. E. Body, 1; W. Tanner, 2. Twelve-stone hackney: G. Langley, 1; G. Christian, 2. Lady's hackney: G. Langley, 1; W. Tanner, 2. District hunter: E. A. Fletcher's Castlebar, 1; Unknown, 2. Pony, 13 hands: W. Lorking's Rebel, 1; R. Mackenzie, 2. Pony, 12 hands: A. Cowell, 1; W. Wilkinson, 2. Pony, boy rider: T. Cowell, 1; C. Fitzharding, 2. Pair harness ponies: M. Mack, 1; H. Egan, 2. Under 13 hands: W. Wilkinson, 1; E. Mumford, 2. Pony, 14 hands: C. Toose, 1; A. Cowell, 2. Pony hunter: W. Mack's Halo, 1; W. Lorking's Rebel, 2. Lady's turnout: Mrs. W. Wilkinson, 1. Four-in-hand ponies: W. Mack, 1. Girl's pony: W. Wilkinson, 1 and 2. Cattle—Champion bull: J. Rutherford, jun., 1. Aged bull: J. Tink, 1. Yearling bull: H. Smith, 1. Over 6 months: J. Stevenson, 1. Cow: J. Stevenson, 1 and champion. Heifer: H. Smith, 1. Three heifers: J. Stevenson, 1. Heifer, 1 year: J. Tink, 1. Under 6 months: J. Tink, 1. In fat cattle the prizes went to W. A. Gardiner, 1, and A. Stevenson, T. Baird, and J. Tink. Small holders of cattle: H. Tink, C. Cadell, and R. Dulhunty.

CASINO, Wednesday.

The twenty-fourth annual show was opened to-day. The weather was showery, and the attendance numbered about 500. Excellent entries were received in all classes. The Wollongbar Experimental Farm had a comprehensive exhibit. In blood horses Rutledge's Fernando took first prize and champion for stallion. James B. M'Dougall's Sister took a prize and champion for blood mare. The cane exhibits were few, but of good quality, the principal prizetakers being George Steven, Albert Rann, C. Cameron, W. B. Campbell, J. G. Dockrill, and J. T. Cowan. In farm produce there was good competition. Large maize, in cob: S. Barber; small ditto, W. B. Campbell. Large maize, thrashed: W. B. Campbell; small ditto, D. W. Cowan. Maize, any other variety: H. S. Barling. Oaten hay: J. Gooley. There was a good collection of farm and garden produce and a splendid lot of pigs. M. Bulmer and Samuel Blanch were the principal winners in the latter section. The school exhibits, fancy work, and domestic industry classes filled well. Twenty-two competed for the hunters' prize. A lad had his collarbone broken through his horse falling.

COUNTRY NEWS.

ALBURY, Wednesday.

John Abraham, engineer, of Ballarat, 20 years ago, competed for £100 premium offered by the municipal council for the best scheme for supplying Albury with water. He now threatens the council with an action for the default of payment. Some years ago the council offered £25, which he refused. Mr. Abraham contends that the Government practically adopted his design.

Mr. Woolhouse, late engineer in charge of the waterworks, claims £176 compensation for the termination of his engagement, being six months' salary and £26 for deprivation of house accommodation.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

The Railway Hotel, at Brewongle, was burned to the ground yesterday morning at 3 o'clock. The building was constructed of wood, and burnt so quickly that the landlord (Mr. C. Brown) and his family had difficulty in escaping. The furniture was lost and the family is rendered homeless. The building was the property of Thompson Brothers, and was insured for £250.

BLAYNEY, Wednesday.

About 6 o'clock to-night a shooting affray was reported to the police. From the particulars to hand it appears that a man had occasion to speak to his stepson, Eddie Galloway, and the son being insolent he boxed his ears. The lad resented this and his stepfather slapped him again. The boy then went into the house and brought out a gun which he won at the cadet competition last year. The stepfather attempted to take the gun from him and it exploded, the bullet entering the stepfather's right side. Dr. Griffith was in attendance, but no serious results are apprehended. The police are investigating the affair.

BOURKE, Wednesday.

John Connell, lessee of the Commercial Hotel, Tandra, 20 miles distant, is suffering from a gunshot wound. Dr. Kane, J.P., found Connell apparently in a dying state, the charge having entered his face near the right jaw, penetrating the roof of the mouth and passing out under the left ear. Dr. Kane took Connell's dying depositions. He attached no blame to anybody, and added so far as it concerned himself the occurrence was accidental. Connell is in the hospital. His recovery is regarded as hopeless.

CAMDEN, Wednesday.

A social was held last night in aid of the Roman Catholic Church.

The fire at Mr. Barker's, Marylands, was more serious than reported. The wine cellar containing matured wines and brandy of good age was completely destroyed, also a valuable collection of fancy timber. The loss exceeds £1200. The property was insured in the Commercial Union for £1000.

CANDELO, Wednesday.

C. Miller, a carrier, when crossing the bridge, was run into by a buggy. Miller was crushed, and his collar-bone was broken.

Constable Meeks, of Wyndham, was thrown from his horse and a small bone in his leg was fractured.

CARCOAR, Wednesday.

Mr. J. Derwin, Mrs. Charles Derwin, and child were coming from Blayney in a buggy last night, and when at the top of the Red Hill, two miles from Blayney, the two horses became frightened, and eventually capsized the buggy. Mrs. Derwin was the only one hurt.

A singular arboricultural freak is to be seen here, many apple trees being in full blossom, the same trees having ripe apples upon them.

COROWA, Wednesday.

A young man named Sargeant, residing about 15 miles from Corowa, was brought to town to-day suffering from anthrax poisoning. Drs. Chenhall and Harris, from Rutherglen, who examined the patient, ordered his removal to the local hospital. His condition is considered to be very serious. It is thought the disease was contracted by handling sheepskins.

COWRA, Wednesday.

The Government has offered to construct a weir on the Lachlan, and the Cowra Council has decided to furnish the required guarantee. The Lachlan is dry for many miles. Owing to the shortage of water the council has put down an Abyssinian pump through 16ft. of the sand bed of the river, from which water is being supplied to the residents.

GLEN INNES, Wednesday.

The local stock market is unusually brisk. Stockowners' local agents are complaining of the state of the railway cattle yards, which are inadequate for heavy traffic.

GUNNEDAH, Wednesday.

Norman Richard Fraser, late council clerk, who was arrested at Mundooran on a charge of embezzling £11 11s 3d, funds received by him in payment of rates, was brought before Mr. Marriot, P.M., and Mr. Willsallen, J.P., to-day. He pleaded guilty, and Mr. Hogarth appeared on his behalf and asked that he be dealt with summarily under the C.L.A. Act and that a fine be inflicted. The Bench fined accused £20; in default of payment, six months' imprisonment; to remain in custody till the fine is paid. An effort is being made to pay the fine by public subscription.

Lodge Star of Namoi, M.U.I.O.O.F., was opened to-day by Pro-Deputy Grand Master F. C. Smith, Prov. C. S. Veness, and Past Grand S. Faulkner and P. Regan, of Narrabri.

N. R. Fraser, late council clerk, was fined £20, or six months, for misappropriation.

HILLSTON, Wednesday.

The annual flower show, held to-day, proved a success. The chief prizetakers were Mrs. Hudson, Mrs. Macpherson, and Mr. O. M. Thomas.

KEMPSEY, Wednesday.

At the sessions yesterday Elija Cooper was acquitted on a charge of stealing a calf, the property of P. Krauer.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

An entertainment was held yesterday in aid of the Volunteers.

Two men on a charge of attempting to break into W. Black's store, Cumnock, were committed for trial.

The Health Board has forwarded to the council for distribution pamphlets dealing with the prevention of typhoid, diptheria, and scarlatina.

MORPETH, Wednesday.

Matthew and Michael Seymour and Michael Tangney, on a charge of assaulting Mr. Bennis on April 30, were committed for trial. Bennis is still suffering severely.

MOSS VALE, Wednesday.

An appeal court in connection with the assessment of property within the municipality of Moss Vale was held at the courthouse to-day, before Mr. Caswell, P.M., Mr. John Cullen and Mr. George Tate, Js.P., the council clerk (Mr. Richardson), and Mr. Compton. The assessors were present to represent the council. In most cases the appeals were reduced to the present rental value.

MURWILLUMBAH, Wednesday.

At the inquest into the death of Ada M'Grath and Edith Blackburn, Salvation Army captains, who on the 2nd instant were in a rowing boat which was run down by the steamer Uki, a verdict of accidental death by drowning was returned. A rider was added that great carelessness was shown by the occupants of the boat in not having a light, and they deserve censure for the way in which they gave evidence and behaved while on the water. Great praise was due to Frank Lowes, driver of the Uki.

NARRABRI WEST, Wednesday.

At a public meeting held this evening Mr. John Gately, the Mayor, was unanimously elected as a delegate from here to join the deputation with other delegates from Wee Waa, Pilliga, Come by Chance, Walgett, and other centres to meet the Minister for Works and urge upon him the advisability of constructing the line from West Narrabri along the south side of the river via Wee Waa, Pilliga, and Come by Chance to Walgett.

NOWRA, Wednesday.

Walter Hammick, an old resident, died this morning.

QUIRINDI, Wednesday.

The annual installation of officers of the local Masonic Lodge took place last night, when the following were installed:—Bro. Peter M'Intosh, Worshipful Master; Bro. Harry Savage, senior warden; Bro. Abel Douglass, junior warden; Bro. Thomas Dickson, P.W.M., treasurer; Bro. A. N. Pountney, secretary; Bro. A. J. Swale, senior deacon; Bro. C. S. Rowntree, junior deacon; Bro. William Hawkes, P.W.M., chaplain; Bro. P. D. Cox, P.W.M., inner guard; Bro. John Johns, P.W.M., outer guard; stewards, Bros. Alexander Pyke and John Oldfield.

SINGLETON, Wednesday.

George Loder, of Abbey Green, was thrown out of a buggy last night at Glenridding, and severely injured. W. H. Mutton, storekeeper, of Singleton, escaped without injury. The horses bolted and overturned the vehicle.

Durham, a dairyman, residing at Scott's Flat, for supplying milk to a creamery from a cow suffering from tuberculosis, was fined £5 and costs.

Miss Wylie, of the Public school, has been promoted to Barraba and Miss Kelly to Rix's Creek.

TEMORA, Wednesday.

The show will be held on 27th and 28th September to avoid clashing with Young and Albury.

WAGGA, Tuesday.

The P. and S. Board has fixed bonuses as follow:—Native dog, £1; native pup, 10s; hare, 2d; kangaroo rat, 2d; paddymelon, 2d; fox, £1; cub fox, 10s; eaglehawk, 1s; crow, 4d.

THE JUBILEE OF AUSTRALIAN GOLD DISCOVERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—February 12, 1901, will be the fiftieth anniversary of the finding of gold at Ophir, N.S.W., the greatest and most memorable discovery in Australian history. I would therefore suggest that the jubilee of an event which wrought such momentous change in the destiny of these colonies, and so accelerated the progress of nationhood, should be celebrated in some fitting manner, such as inaugurating an intercolonial exhibition of minerals, mines, and mining machinery. The development of the mining industry created by the important find of 50 years ago could thus be shown in all its stages, from the primitive cradle of the first discoverers to the perfect equipments of the great mines of to-day, and the vast resources of Australia's mineral wealth be revealed to the world. Some such commemoration would be worthy of an event so profoundly influential for Australia, and as the time is now not too soon to initiate some form of celebration, I make the suggestion for the purpose of attracting attention to this important matter. I am, &c.,

May 10. F. J. MULHOLLAND.

A meeting of the general committee of the Fancy Fair in aid of the Queen Victoria Consumptive Home Fund was held in the Town Hall on Monday. Mrs. Hugo Pearson presided, and there was a large attendance.

George Towns, the Australian, now Champion Sculler of England, at work is a splendid picture in this week's Mail.—Advt.

The Queensland Mining Number of the Sydney Mail is issued this week.—Advt.

To safeguard against colds, chills, and influenza, take a cupful of Liebig Company's Extract, morning or evening, but be sure it is the Company's, signed J. V. Liebig in blue.—Advt.

Unequalled and invincible. Woods' Great Peppermint Cure for Coughs and Colds, 1s 6d.—Advt.

THE TRAGEDY AT BALMAIN.

THE INQUEST.

VERDICT OF MURDER.

Yesterday morning the City Coroner, Mr. J. C. Woore, held an inquest at the South Sydney morgue concerning the death of the child Ellen Elizabeth Baker, aged 1 year and 7 months. The father, William Frederick Baker, was present in custody, handcuffed, and he appeared to be most dejected. The mother of the child, while giving evidence, was much affected, and had to be at first frequently given an opportunity to calm her agitation.

Dr. G. H. Taylor, Government Pathologist, deposed that he had made a post-mortem examination of the body of the child, which was well nourished. Encircling the neck was an indented mark ending behind in a large bruise. There were no other external marks of violence. There were all the symptoms of death by hanging. The organs of the body were healthy and their appearance indicated death from asphyxia. Death must, from appearances, have taken place within a few minutes of suspension.

Ellen Eliza Baker stated that she was the wife of William Frederick Baker, and lived with him at 14 Moodie-street, Balmain. The body was that of her daughter, Ellen Beatrice Baker. Witness's husband was a railway-carriage builder. Deceased was 1 year and 7 months old, and was born at 14 Moodie-street. She was a strong, healthy child. On the previous day witness went out about 2.30 p.m., leaving deceased and her husband at home. In consequence of something she heard she returned a few minutes after 3 p.m., going in by the side door, as she believed the front door was shut. A neighbour, Agnes Lorenzo, went into the house with her. On going in she saw her husband walking about in the dining-room. She asked him where the baby was. He replied, "Don't look," or "Don't ask me." Witness then looked about the house for the child, and found the baby in witness's bedroom hanging by the neck to the bedpost by the piece of window-cord produced, her feet being off the floor. Witness lifted the body up and loosened the cord. The body was warm, but life seemed to be extinct. Agnes Lorenzo then took the child, and Mrs. Hallinan, another neighbour, came in and took the cord from the neck. Witness had previously seen the cord in her husband's tool shop. Witness then sent for the police, and Constable Rankin and another constable soon came to the house. In the presence of Rankin, witness's husband, in reply to her questions, said, "I don't know why I did it. Don't ask me." He also said, "I've never been right since the shock a month ago. I have suffered all my life." In reply to Rankin witness's husband said, "Yes, I did it." He was then removed by the police. Witness lived on very affectionate terms with her husband, who was always kind to the deceased and the other children. He loved the deceased dearly, and was of temperate habits. He had twice been an inmate of Gladesville Asylum, once prior to his marriage, and then about 14 years ago. About a month ago, when her husband came home from his work, he said, "I have had a terrible shock; a train nearly ran over me." He went to his work as usual after that for about a week, but he seemed to be worried. About a week after his telling her that he had nearly been run over he had to discontinue his proper employment on account of the state of his mind. He did peculiar things, but seemed better during the last week. Shortly after he left his work he said, "I have nasty thoughts in my head. I have been thinking how I can murder the baby. I wish there was some one here." Witness then called in Mr. Lorenzo, and her husband told him to feel in his right-hand trousers pocket. Lorenzo did so, and found a razor, which he took away. Lately her husband had been quieter, though occasionally somewhat melancholy. She never suspected that he would use any violence to the children.

Agnes Lorenzo, residing next door to Baker's, deposed that on the previous afternoon Baker called to her over the fence, saying, "For God's sake come and see what I have done." He appeared to be greatly excited. She went to Baker's house, and went in by the side door. Baker said, "Go and see what I have done." Witness asked, "Where shall I go?" and he answered, "Go to my bedroom." She saw deceased hanging by the neck to the bedpost. Witness lifted the body in her arms and found that the child was quite dead. In reply to witness, Baker said that his wife had gone to "the College," and witness accordingly sent for her. Mrs. Baker returned shortly afterwards. Witness then gave evidence corroborative of that given by the previous witness. Baker lived on most affectionate terms with his wife and children, and always treated them well. She had not of late noticed anything strange in Baker's demeanour.

Ellen Hallinan, a widow, residing at 6 Moodie-street, stated that she went to Baker's house about 3.30 p.m. She heard Baker say, "I have killed my baby; I don't know why I did it." Witness took the cord off the neck of the deceased.

Emily Mary Eliza Shaw, residing at 43 Cambridge-street, Rozelle, about three doors from 14 Moodie-street, deposed that she went into the house after Mrs. Baker. Witness heard Baker say that he had killed the baby. At Mrs. Baker's request witness went for the police. Witness on her return saw the child in Mrs. Lorenzo's arms, and she (witness) untied the cord from the bedpost, and subsequently handed it to Constable Rankin.

Constable Rankin gave evidence mainly bearing out the statements of what occurred after his arrival at Baker's made by previous witnesses. Baker was seated in one of the back rooms. His hands were working, and his head moving from side to side. He was repeating, "What caused me to do it? Why did I do it?" In reply to witness's question, "Who killed the child?" Baker said "I did." "What did you do it with?" asked witness, and Baker replied, "I strangled it with a rope. I don't know why I did it. If I did this in my right mind I deserve to be hanged. But I seem all right. There was something came over me that I couldn't resist." Subsequently witness went into the bedroom, and there saw the child lying, quite dead, upon the bed. Witness then arrested Baker, and charged him at the Rozelle Police Station with causing the death of Ellen Beatrice Baker. Baker simply replied "Yes." Baker always seemed to be a quite, inoffensive man.

The Coroner then said to Baker: "You are now in custody of the police, and I have no power to compel you to give evidence. You can do so if you think fit, but I am quite sure that if you had the services of a professional man he would recommend you, under the circumstances, to say nothing."

Baker separated his arms as far as the handcuffs would allow, and replied in a low tone, with some hesitation, "I have nothing to say, only this, that I've been afflicted all my life."

The jury returned a verdict of "Wilful murder" against Baker, and he was formally committed for trial at the Court of Gaol Delivery on May 29.

METROPOLITAN TRANSIT COMMISSION.

The weekly meeting of the Metropolitan Transit Commission was held at the rooms in Phillip-street yesterday. There were present—The Mayor of Sydney (Alderman M. Harris) who presided, Inspector-General Fosbery, and Commissioner Sparkes. A letter was received from a cabman complaining of the dangerous condition of the woodblocks in Oxford-street, and the registrar was instructed to inform him that the matter was one which came within the control of the City Council. An application by A. Tulloch to establish a 'bus route from Circular Quay to Little Bay Hospital via Botany-road, was referred to the registrar for report. A letter received from Mrs. Keraghan, complaining of a 'bus stand being located at the top of Norfolk-street, Paddington, was forwarded to the Paddington Council for report as to whether a more suitable stand was available. At the request of the cabmen working on the College-street rank, a stand for one cab at the corner of Boomerang and William streets was removed from the rank and made a separate stand.

CROWN LANDS.

Information regarding Crown Lands for Homestead Selection and Settlement Lease compiled by the Information Bureau of the Lands Department.

The following areas will be set apart during the week ending the 13th instant:—

SETTLEMENT LEASE.

Narrabri Land District.—On Drildool Holding, 30,315 acres, in 12 farms; areas range from 2128 acres to 2850 acres; distant 20 to 35 miles from Wee Waa; capital value, 30s per acre; will be available 8th June, 1899.

Moree Land District.—On Tellaraga Holding, 2606 acres, in 1 farm; distant 38 miles from Moree; capital value, 20s per acre; will be available 13th July, 1899.

The following areas will become available on Thursday, the 18th instant:—

HOMESTEAD SELECTION.

Picton Land District.—596 acres, in 14 blocks; distant 3 to 4 miles from Picton Lakes Railway Station.

SETTLEMENT LEASE.

Coonabarabran Land District.—On Coolah Holding, 4415 acres, in 6 farms; and on Belar Holding, 2380 acres, in 1 farm.

Deniliquin Land District.—On Barham Holding, 10,904 acres, in 7 farms; and on Beremegad Holding, 11,761 acres, in 6 farms.

Cowra Land District.—13,743 acres, in 5 farms; distant 14 to 18 miles from Goolagong.

Lithographs and all other particulars can be obtained from the Crown Lands Agents of the respective districts mentioned, or from the Information Bureau, Lands Department, Sydney.

HOMESTEAD SELECTION PAMPHLET.

A sixth edition of the pamphlet containing particulars of Crown Lands for Homestead Selection and Settlement Lease under the Crown Lands Act of 1895, with an introduction, giving useful information to applicants for these classes of holding, a Gazetteer of Localities, and a Descriptive Index, together with a comprehensive map of the colony, has now been issued, and may be obtained at the Government Printing Office; Information Bureau, Lands Department; or from any Crown Lands Agent; price, 6d.

LANDS DEPARTMENT GAZETTE.

Lands Department "Gazette," issued every Wednesday and Saturday.—Full particulars are given in this "Gazette" of all lands that are being made available for settlement, and, in addition, all the notifications issued by the Department of Lands and published in the ordinary "Gazette" appear in this issue. The terms of subscription are 5s per quarter, and applications should be made to the Government Printer.

For Children's Hacking Cough take Woods' Great Peppermint Cure, 1s 6d and 2s 6d.—Advt.

THE PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

PARRAMATTA QUARTER SESSIONS.

The above sessions were concluded yesterday, before Judge Docker. John Denis Donovan, who pleaded guilty to a charge of assaulting a young girl, was before the Court for sentence. A long list of previous convictions, extending over a period of 20 years, was read out. His Honor said he had doubts as to whether it was not his duty to order accused a whipping. He, however, would not do that, in consideration of accused's age. He then sentenced him to two years' imprisonment in Parramatta Gaol with hard labour.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT COURT.

This court was opened yesterday, Judge Docker presiding. Francis Smith proceeded against Richard Jones, claiming £30 as damages for alleged unlawful distraint. The evidence was to the effect that plaintiff leased premises from defendant, but afterwards received notice from a solicitor to the effect that in a legal way, by mortgagee's sale, the land had passed away from Jones. Plaintiff then paid rent to another, and his goods were distrained upon on Jones's authority. His Honor made an order for the replevin bond to be delivered up, and awarded costs at £3 3s.

Otto Landau sued Henry Norman Heller for £15 19s 6d, money alleged to have been lent. Mr. E. G. Maddocks Cohen appeared for plaintiff; and Mr. Ferguson, instructed by Mr. J. T. Ralston, for defendant. Plaintiff alleged that he had lent the defendant sums of money on a number of occasions to assist him to purchase requirements for a farm. The defendant had suggested a partnership, but when an agreement was drawn up defendant made various excuses for not signing the same. The defendant in his evidence stated that the plaintiff had been hard up, and he (witness) had lent him various sums, amounting in all to £28 17s. He had a cross action, claiming £28 17s. His Honor found a verdict for defendant, but not in any sum. He also awarded costs on the lower scale with one witness's expenses.

Jane Curran sued C. H. Grandlund, claiming £25 for alleged damage caused by being bitten by a dog. Plaintiff's evidence was to the effect that she had engaged as general servant in defendant's place. On the first day she was there a large St. Bernard dog which was on the premises crawled up behind her and bit her on the leg. She was laid up for a month. A verdict was given for plaintiff for £10 10s with expenses for three witnesses. B. F. Halloran sued J. A. Barter, making a claim of £100 for alleged assault. Mr. Claude Manning for the plaintiff; Mr. C. Bull for defendant. His Honor suggested mutual apologies, and after consultation it was announced that the case had been settled.

A meeting of the Parramatta Literary and Debating Union was held on Tuesday evening, the Rev. J. Penman presiding. Brief speeches were then made by the chairman, the Rev. R. F. Becher, B.A., and Messrs. Fraser and Turner-Robinson.

Mr. E. K. Bowden, of the firm of Bowden and Bowden, has received from the Chief Justice of Tasmania an appointment as a commissioner for affidavits of the Supreme Court of that colony.

The fact of a road not being available at night through the Parramatta Park has caused considerable inconvenience to the residents of Toongabbie and Wentworthville, as the residents have to take a roundabout way to reach the town. The residents have not been able to get a road through this district, and they are now agitating in order to induce the trustees of the park to keep the eastern and western gates open till 8 o'clock p.m., so that they may make use of the park road at least one way when attending meetings, &c., at Parramatta of an evening. The main objection to keeping the gates open seems to be the expense of gatekeepers.

The hospital committee met last night, and decided to call a public meeting to arrange for an annual ball. A special effort is to be made to get business people to take an interest in the same. It was also decided to ask the Liverpool people to organise an annual ball in aid of the hospital.

THE UNEMPLOYED PROBLEM.

APPOINTMENT OF A BOARD OF INQUIRY.

The Premier recently promised a deputation from the citizens' unemployed committee that he would have a board appointed to inquire into the problems involved in the dissipation of the difficulties arising from the presence in the community of a large body of workless men. In pursuance of that promise Mr. Reid recently forwarded a memorandum to the Minister for Labour, embodying his views on the procedure necessary for grappling with the trouble. In the course of that memo he said: "By general consent the persons (i.e., unemployed) to be dealt with can be roughly divided into three classes—(1) able-bodied unemployed, equal to any reasonable degree of manual labour; (2) unemployed who cannot do a fair day's manual labour, mostly because of advancing years; and (3) those who wish to live at the expense of others who work. . . . Following upon these lines I recommend that the board be established to advise the Government and to carry out practically the objects herein set forth, and that the board consist of 12 members, with power to make rules for the conduct of their proceedings, to make proposals to give effect to the objects set forth, and with power to carry out the work, subject in all respects to the approval of the Governor in Council."

Upon receipt of this memo Mr. Hogue proceeded to select gentlemen whose ascertained knowledge of the conditions and requirements of the unemployed and whose qualities otherwise fitted them to deal with the intricate and delicate questions involved. The Hon. Sydney Smith had already been selected by the Government to act in the capacity of chairman of the Royal Commission on Tuberculosis in Stock and the Tick Pest which is to be appointed, but Mr. Hogue was anxious to enlist his services as chairman of the board. Inasmuch as the Royal Commission cannot get to work for some time, Mr. Smith agreed to act as chairman of the board, stipulating that his chairmanship should be in an entirely honorary capacity. This difficulty removed, Mr. Hogue chose and recommended to the Colonial Secretary for appointment as a board the following gentlemen:—Mr. Samuel Thomas Whiddon, M.L.A., Mr. Josiah Thomas, M.L.A., Mr. John Kidd, M.L.A., Rev. Archdeacon Langley, Very Rev. Dean Slattery, Rev. Dr. Roseby, LL.D., Rev. G. D. Buchanan, Rev. J. H. L. Zillmann, Mr. James Watson, Mr. Clement Lewis, and Mr. William Francis Schey. The appointment of these gentlemen to act as a board was yesterday made by the Colonial Secretary.

When seen subsequently Mr. Smith said that no date had yet been fixed for the first meeting of the board, but he would lose no time in getting all preliminaries settled. The Public Service Board will appoint a secretary. The board will not have power to administer the oath to witnesses, but otherwise it has full power to take evidence. Although nothing definite has been settled on the point yet, it is not anticipated that the board will go outside of Sydney to collect evidence.

BALMAIN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

An attractive programme was presented at a concert given in the Congregational school hall, Curtis-road, in aid of the choir fund of this church, on Tuesday evening. There was a good attendance. Pianoforte duets, solos, glees, recitations, quartettes, and violin solos were given and met with marked approval, those contributing being Mrs. Henry Gainford, Mrs. Brangwin, Misses Spriggs, Taylor, Shepherd, M'Nee, Paddle, and Messrs. Fairweather, Thornton, Bolus, Davis, Webb, Osborne, and Manning. The church choir gave a number of pleasing selections. Mr. W. H. Fairweather officiated as musical conductor, and Miss Spriggs and Mr. E. P. Hall efficiently acted as accompanists.

THE CITY COUNCIL AND ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As one who has to share in the burdens which have been created by our city fathers, I ask your permission to enter my protest against a recent act of the members of the City Council. I refer to the arrangements agreed to with regard to the importation of an expert to report upon the best means of lighting the city by electricity. Evidently the aldermen think that they are doing good business in stipulating that the expenses connected with the importation of an expert should be borne by the company securing the contract. Is it likely, I ask, that this expert, who will probably be the representative of a large electrical supply company, will overlook the advantages to his company in securing the contract, and is it human, under the circumstances, to suppose that he will direct the attention of the civic authorities to the facilities that we may possess, before his arrival, of doing the work?

Surely, with the expert knowledge that we command, through the officials charged with the conversion of our tramway system from steam to electricity, there is no need to enter into such an unbusinesslike arrangement as that proposed by the council.

To America, where there is the greatest development of electricity for light and motive power, our aldermen should look for guidance, and for their information I will give a quotation from a recent number of an English journal, "Engineering," of March 3 last, from which they may learn how the surplus power of the electric trams in New York is being utilised for lighting in that city. The extract referred to says:—"It has been demonstrated that the maximum demand for electricity for traction purposes extends over the hour and a half between 6.30 and 8 o'clock in the evening. During this hour and a half the plant of the company, which has a horse-power of 70,000, representing the investment of 10,000,000dol., is taxed to the utmost. At other times it requires a much smaller expenditure of energy. So, in order to equalise matters and obviate the wear and tear incident to the slowing down or stoppage of the machinery, the company has determined that it will enter another field—that of supplying light, heat, and power. It is a reasonable supposition that the company which takes advantage of the variance in these demands would profit by running the plant at its highest efficient capacity, and conserve the surplus power by storage batteries or other means. In fact, with the demand for rapid transportation from one end of the city to the other, and with crowds at one time of the day and none at the rest, it would not pay a company to attempt to fill all the requirements unless the surplus power can be disposed of." It is further stated "that the sale of light and power, by-products of electric traction, as it were, are expected to result in a reduction of 30 per cent. in the prices to the consumers."

In view of these facts, is it not possible for the State and city officials to co-operate in securing economy in the supplying of light and in the working of the trams, to the great advantage of both ratepayers and taxpayers?

This is a matter of concern not only to citizens but to those residing outside the city limits who use the trams, and who will be able to ride at a lower rate if the surplus power from the tramway system is utilised for lighting purposes instead of being wasted.

I trust that an effort will be made to reconsider the situation before the council is committed to an agreement which will land it in a position which it never contemplated, and from which it will be unable to retire except at great cost, the importance of which you yourself have emphasised in directing attention to the financial position of the council. I am, &c., RATEPAYER.

The Schools' Championship Race.—The winners, St. Ignatius' crew, appear in this week's Mail.—Advt.

AMUSEMENTS.

PLEYEL CLASSICAL CONCERTS.

The first of the Pleyel Classical Concerts was given at the Y.M.C.A. Hall last night, when the considerable attendance, and still more the deep attention and genuine enthusiasm with which the programme was received, gave promise of a stronger support for this third season. At these concerts alone are the great examples of chamber music placed before our audiences, and Mr. F. Aengenheyster, as director, and M. Henri Staell, as artistic leader, richly deserve all the encouragement that the amateurs of the city can give them. There were no novelties in last night's programme, which derived its strength from the very adequate performance of two great representative works. The second of these, Schubert's famous "Trout" quintet for piano and strings, brought forward Signor E. De Beaupuis and Messrs. Staell, Alfred Hill, Gerard Vollmar, and G. Podensana (double bass). This music, probably familiar to everyone in the room, on repetition quite astonishes the hearer with its melodic variety and the profusion of graceful ideas which flows through each of its five movements. It seems as if, after the opening allegro vivace, there must be some falling-off in the charm of a grace that is so sparkling, yet in the andante a higher flight is taken in the same direction, and the leaping phrases for the piano first, and then for the strings, entirely captivate the heart. The rendering throughout was full of sweetness and animation, and Signor De Beaupuis distinguished himself as pianist by not attempting to unduly dominate the ensemble, as so many players do. In the andantino the elaborate variations for the strings which first support the theme as enunciated by the piano were especially well rendered, the first violin exhibiting the mingled fluency and breadth needed to give dignity to the movement. At the close of the final allegro, which is marked by the same fertility of melodic idea on the part of the composer, there was a hearty burst of applause.

Mendelssohn's "D Major Quartet" (Op. 44, No. 1) was rendered by Messrs. Staell, F. M. Carter, Hill, and Vollmar. It the first movement (molto allegro vivace), the evidence of fruitful rehearsal was forthcoming, the players maintaining a finely-balanced ensemble of light, clear tone, so graduated as to give animation without warmth. In this way an "atmosphere" quite suited to the character of the movement, but most difficult to maintain, was preserved. The ascending passages for the first violin before the resumption of the theme were brilliantly rendered. At times this first movement assumes a certain weird grace, with its lightly played trills, almost scherzo-like in character, and the whole is full of originality. Of the other three movements the andante is the most beautiful. This was finely rendered by all, the tranquil flow of the music being skilfully maintained in spite of every difficulty. All the artists were recalled with enthusiasm. The same quartet was heard in two short pieces by Raff. The "Liebes Erklarung" was suffused with the poignant melancholy of the 'cello theme, most expressively played by Herr Vollmar. The "Die Muhle," light and vivacious, formed an excellent contrast. Signor de Beaupuis played Chopin's "A flat Polonaise" with finished brilliancy, the famous left-hand crescendo being splendidly made, but there was not sufficient sentiment to give unalloyed pleasure. The pianist was heartily encored, when he played with tender, expressive touch, a "Romance" of his own—a welcome contribution. Signor De Alba made his rentree after an absence of about 12 years under unfortunate circumstances, as he was suffering from a cold, which even affected his speaking voice. However, although unable to do himself justice in "Qui Sdegno," he showed the deep range of his stupendous basso profundo in the fine Cavatina from "La Juive." He was warmly applauded, and the audience was indebted to him for his courage in singing with such a cold.

THEATRE ROYAL MATINEE.

Mr. Brough announces the only matinee of Hope's romantic comedy, "The Adventure of Lady Ursula," at the Theatre Royal to-day. There will be no day performance next Thursday owing to the expected arrival of Earl Beauchamp.

TOWN HALL ORGAN RECITALS.

Yesterday afternoon's programme at the Town Hall was of a most generous character, consisting as it did of 15 pieces by different composers, divided into groups according to their nationalities. The most important, the German section, opened the recital. Mr. Wiegand gave a splendidly brilliant rendering of Bach's Toccata and "Fugue in D minor," and this was at once contrasted with the enchanting grace of Beethoven's "Larghetto" from his Second Symphony. The tone combinations herein were exquisite. Gounod's "Nazareth," the overture to Gretry's "La Caravane," and a fantasia on "La Favorita" were included in the recital. The city organist will this evening give an extra recital of favourite pieces compiled on a similar plan.

GLEBE MUSICAL SOCIETY.

The Glebe Musical Society will hold its ninth concert this evening at the Glebe Town Hall, when Sterndale Bennett's cantata "May Queen" and miscellaneous items will be performed, under the conductorship of Mr. E. J. Massey.

CENTENARY HALL.

Last night the 36th of the series of popular entertainments was given at the Centenary Hall, York-street. There was a record attendance. The features of the evening were the cinematograph and phonograph presented to the Central Mission by the Hon. E. Vickery, M.L.C. Among the phonographic records was one of Talmage against infidelity, which was loudly applauded. The cinematographic views included pictures of the Queen's diamond jubilee procession, a train in motion, and some humorous episodes, all of which were heartily cheered. During the evening songs were rendered by the Rev. W. G. Taylor, Mr. J. Lane, and Miss Agnes Mills. Miss Annie Mills gave a pianoforte solo. Mr. Nott presided at the organ and gave the introductory recital.

GEISHA FAIR.

The nightly attendances at the Geisha Fair continue highly satisfactory. Last night the hall was too small for the audience. Sales were plentiful, and the stalls were consequently considerably depleted. Mrs. Power and her assistants were kept well busy at the tea-house, a la "Geisha," and the other ladies were also kept well at work by the patrons of the fair. The chief attraction of the evening was the assault-at-arms between Dr. H. Roth and Mons. Bical. Each proved an expert with the foils, and at the close of the encounter (which was warmly applauded) the honours were declared to be divided. Mr. C. F. Fiaschi acted as umpire. Owing to the success of the fair it has been decided to keep it open for another week from Saturday next.

GOLF.

The links at Bondi bear a very busy aspect just now, due no doubt to the approaching championship tournament. Next Saturday the Royal Sydney Golf Club will enter upon its season proper with the monthly medal match, and a large number of entries are anticipated.

The championship tournament will be the first Australian golf championship ever held in New South Wales, and the event should do a lot towards making the game still further popular in the colony. The tournament will start on May 23 and on the 25th the Doubles Championship of Australia will be decided, and the two following will be occupied by the Amateur Championship of Australia, which will be under the auspices of the Australian Golf Union. There should be an excellent contest for the championship as the present holder (Mr. H. A. Hamdon), Mr. L. A. Whyte (ex-champion), Dr. Swift (champion of S.A.), Mr. Macneil (champion of this colony), and Mr. Gillies (from New Zealand) will probably be playing. The ground is getting into good order; and, it only requires a shower of rain before the meeting to put it in first-class condition. Other events are a handicap for mixed pairs and a men's open handicap, which will take place respectively on May 23rd and 24th. Entries close on the 19th instant. Intending competitors for the championship will be entitled to practice on the links on payment of the entrance fee, and competitors for the handicap may play on the links twice before the meeting—once this week and once next week. The club hopes to make arrangements for conveyances to run the short distance from the trams to the clubhouse, and otherwise to meet the convenience of visitors.

PROTESTANT ALLIANCE FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

The second day's session of the Protestant Alliance Friendly Society of Australasia opened in the Protestant Hall yesterday at 10 a.m., Grand Master Bro. Boulton presiding. The auditors' report and grand secretary's balance sheet, held over from the previous day, were adopted. The greater portion of the day's proceedings had to do with the draft federal code of rules to render uniform the working all over Australasia, which had been formulated at a convention of delegates representing the colonies. One of the most important points on which the delegates had to vote was as to whether sessions in future should be annual or biennial, and by a large majority the members decided that they would adhere to the present system of annual meetings, the lodges having in most instances given directions to their representatives to strongly resent the biennial movement. The proposal from the conference to alter the system from direct representation at present existing, with a maximum of two members for any lodge, to the Queensland plan of representation by electorates, was also thrown out by a large majority. The remainder of the rules, as far as dealt with at the time of adjournment, concerned wholly the details of internal government, and in the main the draft code was adhered to. The following were elected members of the executive council:—P.Ms., Bros. F. C. Howard, G. H. Leggo, and W. C. A. Cooper; auditors, Bros. W. H. Elliott, J. S. M'Gowen, and J. C. Hickson; guardian, Bro. J. Venness; delegates to the federal session at Hobart, Bros. F. J. W. Boulton, J. Salmon, and J. Morrow. The engagement of Bro. T. J. Iredale as grand secretary was ratified for a term of three years.

The worn-out uniforms of the British Army, when sold, bring back into the War Office treasury close upon £30,000 a year.

A Champion Butter-maker, W. J. M'Veigh, one of the pictures in this week's Mail.—Advt.

The Orange Show receives attention in the illustrated pages of the Mail this week.—Advt.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB.

SECOND DAY.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The S.A.J.C. Autumn Meeting was continued at Morphettville to-day in perfect weather. There was a large and brilliant assemblage, including the Governor and Lady Tennyson. The racing was of a high standard, and more palatable to backers than on the opening day. Once again the big event, the Adelaide Cup, has gone across the border, being the fifth year in succession that Victorians have landed the rich prize. This time the favourite Contrast followed the footsteps of Paul Pry, the winner last year; and as another favourite in Forest won the Goodwood Handicap, Victorian owners, to say the least, have not much cause to grumble at the way their horses are treated by the handicapper. An intimation given by the stewards on Saturday that jockeys late at the post would be punished had the desired effect. The amount of money passed through the machine is a record for a single day's racing at Morphettville. The results are as follows:—

Welter Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Sir Rupert Clarke's Ranfurly, by Eiridspord—Nina, 10st 3lb (Powell), 1; Mr. C. Quinn's Interlude, 9st (C. Quinn), 2; Mr. P. Bolger's Yale Lock, 10st 4lb (Bolger), 3. Others starters: Talavera, 10st 9lb (Trahan); Tapiora, 9st (Matson); Marryatville, 8st 9lb (Egan); Koran, 8st 7lb (H. Hopwood); Lord Salisbury, 8st 7lb (Deveney); Cicero, 8st 5lb (Matthews); Alveary, 8st 5lb (Torpey); Rose Park, 8st 5lb (Walker); Kase, 8st 4lb (Hill); Burnside, 8st 4lb (Hodgkins); Lecturer, 8st 3lb (Sheppard); Cigarette, 8st 2lb (Lake); Furore, 8st 2lb (Jacques); Nackara, 8st 2lb (Stennet); Celia, 8st 2lb (Master Gordon); Klondyke, 8st (Guinane); Norman, 8st (Stewart); Glaukopis, 8st (Driscoll); Emerald, 8st (Smith); Bridemark, 8st (Willis). Amount in totalisator, £2094; dividend, £3 10s. Bridemark and Burnside first drew out from Marryatville, Cigarette, and Ranfurly, while Talavera commenced badly. After a furlong had been negotiated Marryatville and Alveary were at the head of affairs, and led to the turn from Ranfurly, Burnside, Cigarette, and Interlude on the outside. Marryatville was first into the straight, but inside the distance Ranfurly headed her, and, stalling off Interlude, won easily by two lengths. Yale Lock, who came late on the scene, was a neck away third, followed by Cicero, Norman, Bridemark, and Alveary, the last two being Klondyke and Glaukopis. Time, 1 minute 31 3-5 seconds.

Second Hurdle Race, 2 miles.—Mr. W. Murphy's Barton, by Lochiel—Lilias, 11st 5lb (Ellis), 1; Mr. J. B. Pearson's Chorister, 9st 10lb (Curtin), 2; Mr. R. Howie's Garter, 10st 2lb (L. Howie), 3. Other starters: Fund, 10st (J. Lyall); The Duke, 9st 13lb (Barnes); Ebb, 9st 12lb (Deveney); Ringer, 9st (Hopwood); The Bishop, 9st (Holmes); Playmate, 9st 4lb, including 4lb over (Barr). Amount in totalisator, £2112 15s; dividend, £2 14s. Garter and Ebb led over the first hurdle from Ringer and The Bishop, with The Duke left behind. Ebb then took up the running, but passing the stand Garter was leading Ebb, Chorister, Barton, Playmate, The Bishop, The Duke, Ringer. Fund ran off at the hurdle at the top of the straight. Garter and Ebb held their own coming past the four-furlong post, when the latter was supplanted by Chorister and Playmate. A furlong nearer home Playmate and Chorister passed Garter, with Barton handy. Making the turn Garter was in command of Barton, Chorister, and Playmate, but Barton led over the last hurdle, and holding his own won by four lengths, a head dividing second and third. Playmate was a good fourth, followed by Ebb, The Duke, The Bishop, and Ringer. Time, 3 minutes 50 seconds.

Adelaide Cup of 1000 sovs., 1 mile 5 furlongs.—Mr. J. B. Pearson's Contrast, by Commotion—Contessina, 7st (W. Burn), 1; Mr. T. Haig's Merry Pilgrim, 6st 7lb (W. Hopgood), 2; Mr. P. Bolger's Le Var, 9st 2lb (Bolger), 3. Other starters: Gnullo, 8st 10lb (Hodgkins); Blackwood, 8st 10lb, including 7lb penalty (Dearth); Diffidence, 8st 7lb, including 22lb penalty (Turner); Staffa, 8st 7lb (Gardiner); Trapper, 7st 13lb (Finlay); Dirk Hammerhand, 7st, including 5lb penalty (Guinane); Bloodstone, 7st 9lb (Matthews); Dreamland, 7st (Powell); Viking, 7st 8lb (Holmes); Bychuca, 6st 8lb (Callaghan); Tarsus, 6st 10½lb, including 2½lb over (Trainor); Bethnal, 6st 9lb, including 2lb over (F. Turner); Dearix, 6st 7lb (Darroch). Amount in totalisator, £5576 15s. Dividend, £3 16s. Dirk Hammerhand, Gnullo, Bloodstone, Staffa, and Contrast were on the inside, while on the outside were Tarsus, Viking, Diffidence, and Bethnal. Mr. Watson did not keep the field long waiting, and when the barrier was raised Bloodstone and Gnullo were the first to break the line from Dirk Hammerhand, Tarsus, Dearix, Bethnal, and Diffidence. Passing the mile and a half post Bloodstone was acting as leader from Dirk Hammerhand, Bethnal, and Contrast, with Tarsus and Gnullo heading Blackwood. Bloodstone led past the stand from Bethnal and Dirk Hammerhand, with Contrast and Tarsus running next, followed by Gnullo, Dearix, Diffidence, and Bychucha, while the last four were Le Var, Dreamland, Viking, and Staffa. Bloodstone was not displaced at the mile and a quarter post, where Contrast had taken second place just clear of Dirk Hammerhand, Gnullo, and Merry Pilgrim, with Diffidence and Tarsus the most conspicuous of the others, the rear being brought up by Viking, Le Var, and Staffa. The positions of the two leaders were not altered at the next furlong, where Bethnal ran into third place, and Bychucha, Dirk Hammerhand, Diffidence, and Gnullo were almost on terms, the next division being headed by Blackwood, with Viking and Staffa the last two. Some important alterations took place at the mile-post, where Bloodstone retired, and Contrast was joined by Bychucha; while Diffidence ran up alongside Bethnal, and Dreamland took his position in the van, attended by Gnullo, Merry Pilgrim, Blackwood, Tarsus, and Le Var as named, the last three being Dirk Hammerhand, Viking, and Staffa. Contrast, Bychuca, and Diffidence were abreast at the seven furlong post just in front of Dreamland, Bethnal, Merry Pilgrim, Gnullo, and Blackwood as named. The three leaders were still in line at the six furlongs post, where Dreamland dropped back, Merry Pilgrim taking his place, and then came Gnullo, Le Var, and Tarsus, with Bloodstone and Staffa last. Contrast, Diffidence, and Bychuca, held their own at the five furlongs post, where Merry Pilgrim was fourth, then came Le Var, with Tarsus, Blackwood, Gnullo, and Bethnal the most prominent of the others. There was no change of note to record at the half-mile post, but rounding the home turn Bychuca gave way, leaving Contrast and Diffidence to come on from Gnullo, Le Var, Blackwood, and Merry Pilgrim, who was coming fast in advance of Tarsus and Viking. Contrast led into the straight from Diffidence and Merry Pilgrim, while Le Var was also making a bold bid, and Gnullo, Tarsus, and Blackwood were clear of the others. Diffidence retired at the distance, where Contrast came away from the field. Merry Pilgrim made a big effort to catch her, but the attempt was quite futile, for the Elder Stakes winner won easily by two and a half lengths. Le Var was a neck behind Merry Pilgrim, then came Blackwood, Tarsus, Diffidence, Gnullo, Dirk Hammerhand, Bychuca, Bethnal, Viking, Dearix, Trapper, Dreamland, and Staffa, with Bloodstone last. Time, 2 minutes 51 1-5 seconds.

Steeplechase, about 3 miles.—Mr. Bertie Barr Smith's Silverthorn, by Hawthorn—Rapid mare, 10st (Barnes), 1; Mr. S. Ferry's Wirriwa, 10st 3lb (S. Ferry), 2; Mr. S. Ferry's Cataract, 9st 12lb (Hopwood), 3. Other starters: Tremolo, 12st 10lb (Read); Happy Jack, 11st 5lb (Joskin); Eclipse, 10st 2lb (Holmes); Bombastic, 10st 2lb (M'Gowan); Bubble, 9st 7lb (Deveney); Repetition, 9st 3lb, including 3lb over (Barr). Amount in totalisator, £2319 15s; dividend, £13 9s. At the first fence Happy Jack led from Silverthorn, then came Cataract, Repetition, and Bombastic. Cataract took up the running at the next fence from Repetition and Happy Jack. Wirrawa joined his stable companion at Elder's, and the pair remained in the lead until coming at the last fence, where Silverthorn, who had occupied a nice position throughout, headed them, and jumped the fence slightly clear of Wirrawa. Mr. Ferry's chestnut, however, again took command shortly after landing, and led until well inside the distance, where Silverthorn gradually cut him down and won by two lengths, with Cataract five lengths away third, Happy Jack fourth, followed as named by Tremolo, Bombastic, Eclipse, and Bubble. Time, 7 minutes 1 second. Repetition clouted his rider off at the top of the straight the second time round.

Nursery Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Mr. B. Thompson's Artillery, by Light Artillery—Haidee, 8st 5lb (Willis), 1; Mr. Anderson's Tarlock, 8st 11lb (H. J. Morrison), 2; Mr. R. Howie's Thorinda, 9st 3lb (F. Hill), 3. Other starters: Thunder Prince, 8st 12lb (Quinn); Nitrous, 8st 12lb (Guinane); Gossamer, 8st 8lb (Powell); Gipsy Bill, 8st 7lb (Hodgkins); Gungadin, 8st (Matthews); Malvern, 7st 13lb (Egan); Buccleugh, 7st 12lb (Lake); Fetlock, 7st 10lb (Gardiner); Portlight, 7st 3lb (Deveney); Fulmen, 7st (W. Burn); Trenton Queen, 6st 12lb (Smith). Amount in totalisator, £2469 5s; dividend, £5 8s. When the ropes lifted Portlight was in front of Artillery, Thunder Prince, Gipsy Bill, Gossamer, and Trenton Queen, with Nitrous and Fetlock the last of the bunch, while Gungadin was left at the post. After the field settled into their places Artillery took up the running and was never again headed, winning comfortably by two and a quarter lengths, a length between second and third. Gipsy Bill was fourth, followed by Portlight, Gossamer, Buccleugh, and Fulmen, with Gungadin last. Time, 1 minute 17 1-5 seconds.

Baker Handicap, 1 mile.—Mr. C. Quinn's Once More, by Thunderbolt—Da Capo, 7st (M'Namara), 1; Mr. P. Bolger's Yale Lock, 8st 7lb (Dearth), 2; Mr. J. Crozier's Cicero, 6st 10lb (Trainor), 3. Other starters: Vigorous, 9st 8lb (Trahan); Metallic, 9st 4lb (Powell); Security, 8st 3lb (Hodgkins); Chokebore, 8st (Kuhn); Avalon, 7st 11lb (V. Furner); Blue Blood, 7st 7lb (E. Turner); Caviare, 7st 4lb (W. Burn); Interlude, 7st 4lb (M'Enhill); Norman, 6st 7lb (W. Hopwood); Cigarette, 6st 7lb (Darroch). Amount in totalisator, £2984 5s; dividend, £15 9s. Caviare was the first to show in front of security and Chokebore, the last to leave being Metallic, Blue Blood, and Yale Lock. After a furlong had been covered, Vigorous was leading Chokebore, Caviare, and Security, with Cigarette and Avalon well up, and Yale Lock last. Caviare was leading at the six-furlongs post from Interlude, Chokebore, and Once More, with Cicero handy. At the five-furlongs post Cicero dashed in front, and led into the straight from Blue Blood, Chokebore, Interlude, and Once More. Cicero held his own at the distance from Caviare and Once More, but the latter shot out at the pickets and won handsomely by a length, a head between second and third. Blue Blood was fourth, followed by Security, Caviare, Chokebore, and Avalon, the last four being Vigorous, Norman, Metallic, and Cigarette. Time, 1 minute 45 seconds.

The total amount of money passed through the totalisator on the day was £17,486 15s.

THE ADVANCES TO SETTLERS ACT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—With the best intentions Parliament passed the above Act. That it will be of considerable help to many settlers is beyond doubt, but already there is evidence that it will inflict serious injury upon many others. Section 9 provides that every advance under the Act shall "be a charge on the land in respect of which the advance was made in priority to any encumbrance, transfer, or dealing registered after the making of the advance. Where an encumbrance, transfer, or dealing has been duly registered before the date of the making of the advance it shall have priority to the said charge." The effect of this provision is that the first encumbrance registered—not the first created—secures priority. It is quite a common practice for banks and financial institutions to hold mortgages and transfers without registering either. By abstaining from registration they save their clients a considerable expense, and that disturbance to their outside credit likely to result from the publicity of registration. In consequence of the Act just passed I know that at least one important banking institution, acting upon the advice of its lawyers, has decided to insist upon the registration of all mortgages and transfers as a safeguard, and instructions to this effect have been issued to branch managers. Although I have no definite information on the point, there is reason to believe the same course is being followed by other institutions.

It is true applications for advances under the Act made by those already mortgaged can only be made with the consent of the mortgagee, and that the form of application requires the applicant to state whether his property is mortgaged or not; but in the absence of registration there is nothing to reveal the existence of a mortgage should the applicant represent his property as being unencumbered. It may be taken for granted that in a vast majority of cases correct information would be given by applicants, but it must be admitted there is a possibility that in some cases incorrect information may be supplied, inadvertently or intentionally, it matters not which. It is to guard against possible mistake or fraud, and to put its securities beyond doubt, that the institution referred to is taking steps to secure general registration.

As a result a number of settlers will be prejudicially affected by an Act of which they have no desire to avail themselves.

Parliament is in recess, and even if it were sitting it is not at all clear that an adequate remedy for this difficulty could be devised. But perhaps it might be reduced to a minimum by the expedient of a regulation. If the board would adopt a regulation, that before granting an advance an inquiry should be made of the applicant's banker, it might be of some assistance. This clearly would not meet the case of those who have given mortgages outside the banks, but in these latter cases non-registration is rare. My suggestion is not, I admit, a sufficient remedy for the evil pointed out, but still it might be useful. Perhaps also the board might consult with the managers of the financial institutions with a view to devising some safeguard that would satisfy the latter and obviate the necessity for such a general registration as I think is about to take place. I am, &c., S. D. MILLER.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—May 10.

Electra, s., 395 tons, Captain W. B. Nelson, from Richmond River May 8. Passengers—Mesdames Osborne, Leckel, Mitchell, G. Mitchell, Pinchin, M'Pherson, Misses Heard, Pinchin (2), Walsh, Mitchell (2), Osborne, Rev. J. Gray, Messrs. F. Row, W. F. Coffey, E. Secombe, G. Reitch, R. Rodden, J. Lees, G. Eyear, T. W. Parker, J. S. Miller, J. Burns, C. Graham, J. Baxter, A. E. C. Jeanneret, A. Jeanneret, Master Perernis, and 8 in the steerage. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Australian, s., 800 tons, Captain W. Slater, from Clarence River May 9. Passengers—Mesdames Adrian and Hiland, Messrs. J. Miller, Savage, D. Hays, P. C. Martin, W. Hiland, D. Ross, A. F. Cameron, Captain Anderson. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Waneka, s., 2242 tons, Captain H. M'Donald, from Bluff, via Oamaru, Timaru, and Lyttelton. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Syvetjernen, Norwegian barque, 1007 tons, Captain Hansen, from Fredrikstad December 15. J. C. Ellis, agent.

Rosedale, s., 274 tons, Captain A. Forbes, from Nambucca River, via Port Macquarie May 9. Passengers—Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Ellis, Messrs. Houison, Atherton, Allport, Jarret. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Newcastle, s., 1256 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S. S. Company, agents.

Dovedale, s., 2891 tons, Captain T. Darley, from Port Pirie. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Urmston Grange, s., 3444 tons, Captain Taylor, from New York, via Western Australia. Houlder Brothers and Co., Limited, agents.

Electra, s., 395 tons, Captain W. B. Nelson, from Richmond River. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Oonah, s., 1757 tons, Captain J. Gibb, from Newcastle. F. W. Jackson, agent.

DEPARTURES.—May 10.

Alameda, royal mail steamer, for San Francisco, via ports.

Westralia, s., for Auckland.

Bielefeld, s., for Singapore and Hamburg, via Thursday Island.

Euryalus, s., for Colombo, via Newcastle and Melbourne.

Empire, barque, for San Francisco, via Newcastle.

Mary Moore, barque, for Fiji, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—May 11.

Oonah, s., for Hobart; Australian, s., for Clarence River; Electra, s., for Richmond River; Nambucca, s., for Nambucca River; Sydney, s., for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—May 10.

Alameda, R.M.S., 3159 tons, Captain K. Van Oterendorp, for San Francisco, via ports, with passengers as published yesterday.

Euryalus, s., 3870 tons, Captain C. M'Donald, for Colombo, via Newcastle and Melbourne. Passengers—For Calcutta: Mrs. Kealman, Miss Dunkeley, Mr. Dunkeley. For Melbourne: Mrs. M'Donald, and 14 in the steerage.

Empire, barque, 1019 tons, Captain F. F. Knacke, for San Francisco, via Newcastle, in ballast.

Westralia, s., 2881 tons, Captain A. Thorpe, for Auckland. Passengers—Lady Ranfurly and maid, Lady Constance Knox, Mesdames Dawson, A. Cashel and infant, Gauderton, Harker, Coull, Payne, Carlaw, Benjamin child and maid, Misses Dawson, Hudson, Deakin, M. Davis, Coull, Carlaw (2), O'Sullivan, Hon. Chas. Hill-Trevor and servant, Messrs. G. Moody, T. Coull, E. Walker, C. Westphal, J. Mackay, Jackson, J. Graham, J. Lambert, H. A. Mackay, Galloway, W. Steele, J. M'Lean, J. C. Alexander, R. D. Hudson, W. Griffiths, Gauderton, Baker, and 30 in the steerage.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—May 10.

Jane Morehead, ketch, Captain C. Leagker, for Camden Haven; Tamar, s., Captain C. Brown, for Newcastle; Clara Ethel, ketch, Captain R. Smith, for Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—May 10.

(A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.)

Rosedale, s., from Nambucca River and Port Macquarie: 1307 bags maize, 7 cases eggs, 4 cases fish, 3 coops poultry, 7 hides and 1 bag hides, 17 boxes butter, 35 pigs, and large sundries, also 24 bags bark.

Syvetjernen, barque, from Fredrikstadt: Full cargo of Baltic timber.

Electra, s., from Richmond River: 376 bags maize, 7 bags grass seed, 20 cases eggs, 15 cases fruit, 13 cases fish, 6 casks tallow, 2 coops poultry, 90 hides, 56 hogsheads molasses, 274 boxes butter, 12,000ft. boxwood, 71 pigs, and sundries.

Wanaka, s., from Lyttelton: 17,379 sacks potatoes, 387 sacks chaff, 750 sacks oats, 255 sacks wheat, 60 sacks flour, 343 sacks peas, 1092 sacks onions, 2832 sacks bran, 20 sacks oatmeal, 25 sacks grass seed.

Australian, s., from Clarence River: 922 bags maize, 33 bags pumpkins, 2 bags turnips, 6 calves, 3 cases eggs, 2439 cases meat, 10 cases fish, 14,000ft. sawn hardwood, 1 coop poultry, 2 bundles skins, 3 cans cream, and sundries.

May 11.

Yarrawonga, s., from London, via ports: 530 bundles hoops, 100 drums sheep dip, 280 wheels, 2 bundles wheels, 3 packages wire rope, 242 packages whitelead, 40 kegs red lead, 65 packages paint, 23 packages machinery, 61 plates zinc, 15 cases medicines, 22 packages drugs, 124 cart arms and boxes, 21 quarter-casks 18 octaves and 1 hogshead brandy, 4 bales bagging, 2 cases hydrometers, 64 packages boots and shoes, 40 cases screws, 158 packages naval stores, 124 steel angles, 51 steel plates, 105 packages sauce, 15 barrels safety fuse, 124 cases galvanised iron, 11 packages stationery, 4 bales carpets, 136 axle arms, 5 cases gas brackets, 28 packages hardware, 194 packages drapery, 27 cases safety cartridges, 5 bales canvas, 15 packages books, 474 bundles tubes, 81 tubes, 20 barrels and 3 casks oil, 680 cases milk, 100 bars and 23 bundles steel, 20 drums malt extract, 11 casks spirits, 64 packages bolts and nuts, 3 cases beds ads, and sundries; also, a quantity of cargo for transhipment.

EXPORTS.—May 10.

Alameda, R.M.S., for San Francisco, via ports: 139 bales skins, 11 bales leather, 100 bales kapok, 100 barrels glaine, 30 boxes gold (£150,000), 581 ingots tin, 420 iron bars, 186 packages stores, 37 pieces timber, 9 cases medicine, 224 pieces ironbark, 130 packages wrappers and poles, 150 cases whisky, 420 firebars, 10 packages fishplates, 75 cases galvanised iron, 472 cases geneva, 59 bundles lead, 6 cases oil, 25 packages tea, and sundries.

Euryalus, s., for Colombo, via Newcastle and Melbourne: 48 cases meats, 2 tons hay, 2 packages wine, and sundries, also a quantity of original cargo.

Westralia, s., for Auckland: 41 pieces timber, 3 bars steel, 25 chests tea, 49 bales kapok, 26 pieces marble, 4 cases cigars, 3 coils rope, 112 boxes cornflour, 300 felloes, 100 spokes, 8 boiler tubes, 209 ingots tin, 30 cases currants, 18 cases beer, 13 bags peanuts, 10 bales wool, 25 empty drums, 3 iron tanks, 31 castings, 1147 bags bones, 254 bags bottles, 169 cases fruits, 2 cases machines, 6 iron plates, 8.00 bags sugar, 3 cases cocoa, 5 quarter-casks whisky, 100 bags salt, 10 cases wine, 25 cases salmon, 20 bags seeds, 133 bundles rattans, 7 cases black lead, 45 cases blue, 6 cases dry colour, 25 cases starch, 4 bales corks, 56 bundles rattans, 13 cases seeds, 4 kegs nails, 5 cases metal, 141 packages tea, 6 packages engine, 60 kegs staples, 7 kegs rivets, 3000 spouts, 10 cases wheel-tones, 50 cases currants, 12 cases peel, 6 boxes glass, 11 packages paper, and sundries.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrival: May 10, Futami Maru, s., from Sydney. Departures: May 10, Lady Lamington, s., for Bundaberg; Tyrian, s., for Sydney; Gulf of Taranto, s., for London, via Gladstone and south.

MARYBOROUGH.—Arrivals: May 10, South Australian, s., from Rockhampton; Yaralla, s., from Bundaberg. Departures: May 9, Fiona, s., for Dungeness.

TOWNSVILLE.—Arrival: May 10, Aramac, s., from Brisbane. Departure: May 9, Duke of Fife, s., for London.

COOKTOWN.—Arrival: May 10, Tom Fisher, from Maryborough.

THURSDAY ISLAND.—Departure: May 9, Duke of Westminster, s., for Manila.

YAMBA.—Departure: May 10, Kallatina, s., for Sydney.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: May 10, Oonah, s., Sydney, s., Excelsior, s., Barrabool, s., Boveric, s., Trilby, s., Taieri, s., Meran, barque, Jones Brothers, Advance, schooners, from Sydney; Mirella, barque, from Delagoa Bay. Departures: May 10, Augusta, s., Excelsior, s., for Byron Bay; Grace Harwar, ship, for Mollendo, with 2885 tons Duckenfield coal; City of Lucknow, s., for Amboina, with 5815 tons Co-operative coal; Oonah, s., for Hobart, via Sydney, with 800 tons coal; Barrabool, s., for Townsville, with 100 tons coal; Alice, s., Sydney, s., for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: May 10, Yarrawonga, s., at 10.5 a.m., north; Wodonga, s., at 12.5 p.m., west. Departures: Elizabeth Mary, ketch, at daylight; Lightning, yawl, for Malacoota.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: May 10, Orizaba, R.M.S., from London; Pateena, s., from Launceston. Departures: May 10, Orizaba, R.M.S., for Sydney; Leura, s., for Sydney; Australasian, s., for Capetown and London; Balasuish, ship, for the channel.

PORT PIRIE.—Arrival: May 10, Andania, s., from Newcastle. Departure: May 10, Era, s., for Sydney.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

TWEED HEADS.—Arrival: May 10, Wollumbin at 8.10 a.m.

RICHMOND HEADS.—Arrival: May 10, Oakland at 4.55 p.m. Departure: May 10, St. George, s., at 9.50 a.m., for Sydney. Passed: Adelaide Company's steamer at 4.55 p.m., north. 14ft. on bar and 11ft. on inside channel at high water.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Departure: May 10, Kallatina, s., at 10 a.m., for Sydney.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Passed: May 10, A.U.S.N. steamer at 3 p.m., north; Kallatina at 3.20 p.m., south.

MACLEAY HEADS.—Arrival: May 10, Burrawong, s., at 7.15 a.m., from Sydney.

TRIAL BAY.—May 10, Nambucca, s., and two vessels at anchor in bay. Departure: Euroka at 9.45 a.m. Returned to port through stress of weather.

SMOKY CAPE.—Passed: May 10, Alfred Fenning at 10.30 a.m., north; Macleay at 3 p.m., south.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Arrivals: May 10, Empress of India at 4 p.m., Wyoming at 5 p.m.

TACKING POINT.—Passed: May 10, Macleay at 10 a.m., north; Kendal Castle at 1.30 p.m., north; City of Grafton at 1.55 p.m., north; Karuweera at 5.15 p.m., north.

CROWDY.—Passed: May 10, a ketch at 6.30 a.m., north.

CAPE HAWKE.—Departures: May 10, Failford at 8 a.m., Stanley at 9 a.m., Rebecca at 9.45 a.m.

SEAL ROCKS.—Passed: May 10, Augusta at 1.55 p.m., north; Excelsior at 2.20 p.m., north; a large steamer, red funnel, black top, at 4.10 p.m., north.

PORT STEPHENS.—Arrival: May 10, Cynthia, ketch, at 7 a.m. Departure: Thetis, s., at 9.30 a.m.

BARRANJOEY.—Arrivals: May 10, Rose at 12.30 p.m., Star of Peace at 2.50 p.m. Departures: May 10, Dora Maud, ketch, at 8.15 a.m., Billie Barlow, s., at 8.35 a.m., Sir William Wallace, s., at 12.30 p.m.

BELLAMBI.—Arrival: May 10, Currajong at 5.30 p.m., from Sydney.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrivals: May 10, Countess of Errol at 8 a.m., Allowrie at 7 p.m. Departure: May 10, Illawarra at 7.50 a.m. Passed: May 10, a barque in tow at 2.30 p.m., north.

PORT KEMBLA.—Arrival: May 10, Nemesis, s., at 830 a.m., from Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Arrival: May 10, Illawarra at 3.45 p.m., from Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: May 10, a barque, deep, at 6 a.m., north; steamer like Buninyong at 9.15 a.m., south; Dovedale at 9.25 a.m., north; Urmston Grange at 12.25 p.m., north; Murray at 3.55 p.m., south.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Arrival: May 10, Peterborough, s., at 9.30 a.m., from Sydney.

MORUYA.—Arrival: May 10, Coomonderry, s., at 8.30 a.m., from Sydney.

BERMAGUI.—Departure: May 10, Otway at 4.45 p.m., for Sydney.

EDEN.—Departures: May 10, Otway, s., at 8.30 a.m., for Sydney; Nell, ketch, at 9.20 a.m., for Melbourne.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: May 10, Yarrawonga, s., at 11.40 a.m., north; Argus at 4.30 p.m., south.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: May 10, Wodonga, s., at 12.5 p.m., west.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed inwards: May 10, Despatch, s., at 8.50 a.m. Passed outwards: Age, s., at 8.30 a.m., Korkowra at 9.5 a.m., Bullarra at 9.40 a.m.

HOBART.—Arrival: May 9, Tambo, s., at midnight, from Sydney.

LOW HEAD (Tas.).—Arrival: May 10, Coogee, s., at 4.55 a.m., from Melbourne.

STRAHAN (Tas.).—Departure: May 10, Orowaiti, s., at daylight, for Melbourne, via Devonport.

STANLEY (Tas.).—Arrival: May 10, Glaucus, s., at 9 a.m., from Melbourne. Departures: May 10, Rakanoa at 10.40 a.m. Glaucus for Sydney, via the coast.

DEVONPORT WEST.—Departure: May 10, Penguin at 2.30 p.m., for Melbourne.

SEMAPHORE.—Arrival: May 9, Natal Queen, from Tasmania. Departures: May 9, St. Quentin, for Melbourne; Kalgoorlie, for Melbourne; Onyx, for Tasmania.

ALBANY (W.A.).—Arrival: May 10, Himalaya, R.M.S., at 8 a.m., from Colombo. Departure: May 10, Himalaya, R.M.S., at 12.15 p.m., for Adelaide.

FREMANTLE.—Departure: May 10, Adelaide at 12.15 p.m., for Adelaide.

AUCKLAND.—Arrival: May 9, R.M.S. Mariposa at 10.45 p.m., from Honolulu. Departure: May 10, Mariposa at 11.15 a.m., for Sydney.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

Arrival: Stanley, brigantine, from Launceston.

(For continuation of Shipping see Page 6.)

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Wednesday.

Average annual rainfall for 40 years, 49·502.

Average for 41 years from January 1 to April 30, 19·619.

Total rainfall from January 1, 1899, to May 10, 7·990.

Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m. to-day, 30·304.

Temperature.—Maximum, 64·2; minimum, 54·2.

Humidity.—9 a.m., 85; 3 p.m., 63.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 30·08; Gascoyne, 30·08; Perth, 30·12; Esperance Bay, 30·25; Eucla, 30·31; Streaky Bay, 30·41; Adelaide, 30·48; Robe, 30·51; Portland, 30·53; Melbourne, 30·53; Wilson's Promontory, 30·54; Gabo Island, 30·48; Cape St. George, 30·36; Sydney, 30·30; Newcastle, 30·30; Port Macquarie, 30·31; Clarence Heads, 30·43; Brisbane, 30·39; Rockhampton, 30·25; Mackay, 30·20; Cooktown, 30·04.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Cloudy to showery on the coast; fine and clear inland.

Western Australia.—Generally fine and clear.

South Australia.—Fine and clear throughout.

Victoria and Straits.—Cloudy to showery on the coast; fine and clear inland.

Tasmania.—Generally fine.

Queensland.—Generally fine and clear inland; cloudy on the coast.

Central and Northern Australia.—Fine generally.

New Zealand.—Showery generally.

New Caledonia.—Fine but cloudy.

RIVER REPORTS AT 9 A.M.

Albury, 1ft. 7in.; Balranald, 1ft. 10in., falling; Bingera, 1ft.; Booligal, dry; Bourke, 4ft. 2in. above and 8ft. below weir; Brewarrina, 3ft. 3in; Deniliquin, 1ft. 4in.; Dubbo, 2ft.; Euabalong, dry; Euston, 8ft. 2in.; Goodooga, low; Gundagai, 2ft. 6in.; Hay, summer level; Hillston, dry; Louth, 2ft. 8in., rising; Manilla, low; Menindie, 1ft. 6in.; Moril Mogil, low; Moulamein, low; Mungundi, 3ft. 8in., falling; Pooncarie, 2ft. 1½in.; Tilpa, low; Tocumwall, 2ft.; Wagga Wagga, 1ft. 4in.; Wentworth, 3ft. 7in.; Wilcannia, 1ft. 6in., falling; Yetman, low; Barwon River at Walgett, 5ft. 3in., stationary; Namoi River at Walgett, 2ft., stationary; Goondiwindi, low.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, S., light, showery, sea moderate; Byron Bay, S.E., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Ballina, E.S.E., showery, sea moderate; Clarence Heads, S., light, showery, sea moderate; Woolgoolga, S.S.W., squally, showery, sea moderate; Bellinger Heads, S.W., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Nambucca Heads, S.W., thick rain, sea rough; Macleay Heads, S.W., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Port Macquarie, S.W., light, showery, sea moderate; Manning Heads, calm, cloudy, sea moderate; Seal Rocks, S., fresh, cloudy, sea slight; Port Stephens, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Newcastle, S.S.E., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, S.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, S.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Barranjoey, E.S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; South Head, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Wollongong, S., light, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, S., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, S.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, S.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Ulladulla, S., light, fine, sea moderate; Bateman's Bay, calm, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, N.E., light, dull, sea smooth; Eden, S., light, cloudy, sea slight; Green Cape, calm, cloudy, sea slight; Gabo Island, calm, cloudy, sea slight.

FORECASTS.

New South Wales.—Fine generally inland, with no sign of rain; light winds on the coast, and weather more or less cloudy, with showers especially over northern parts.—H. C. Russell.

South Australia.—Continued fine weather throughout; cold at night, with heavy dews and some fog and frost in early mornings; light winds, chiefly S. to N., and calms.—C. Todd.

Victoria.—Generally fine, with light variable winds, chiefly N.E.; frosts in parts inland, and some fogs near coast; smooth sea.—P. Baracchi.

SPECIAL FORECASTS BY MR. CLEMENT L. WRAGGE.

New South Wales.—More rain along the coast, especially north from Trial Bay, fine inland, variable winds; sea moderate, but rough occasionally between Clarence and the Tweed.

Victoria and Tasmania.—Mostly fine but cloudy, with fogs and frosts; unimportant showers near the coast; sea slight.

Western Australia.—As before generally fine throughout, except in the south-western and southern coast districts, where the disturbance "Kwan," as already advised, will cause cloudy and unsettled weather and strong winds from between N. and N.W., shifting to W., followed by rain and rising seas.

Northern Territory.—Fine throughout, with scattered clouds and S.E. winds.

South Australia.—Somewhat cloudy, with capricious showers in the south-east, elsewhere fine; winds between N.N.E. and N.W. Shipping bound west is again advised of the disturbance "Kwan."

Queensland.—Showery and at times squally from S.E. along the coast, especially within the tropics, with rough seas. Shipping note. Fine inland, with strong E.S.E. winds, shifting to N.E.

New Zealand.—Strong S.W. winds and showers in the Eastern district generally.

New Caledonia.—Cloudy and showery, with strong S.E. squalls, rough seas.

Special Warning.—The disturbance "Kwan" is now 500 miles S.S.W. from Albany, and looks particularly foxy. Shipping interests are advised that the storm "Loka," which wrecked the Loch Sloy, was forecasted on the 19th ultimo. Sailing craft beware of "Kwan."

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR MAY 11.

Sun rises at 6.36, sets at 5.6; Moon, 8.7 a.m., 5.50 p.m.; Mercury, 4.30 a.m., 4.1 p.m.; Venus, 3.55 a.m., 3.35 p.m.; Mars, 12.28 p.m., 10.46 p.m.; Jupiter, 4.11 p.m., 5.24 a.m.; Saturn, 7.1 p.m., 9.15 a.m.

New moon, 10th; full moon, 25th.

High water at Fort Denison, 9.5 a.m., 9.24 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.

Victoria.—Overland, 5.30 and 7 p.m.

Queensland.—Overland, 4.45 p.m.

Hobart and Launceston.—Oonah, 11 a.m.

Nambucca River.—Nambucca, 4 p.m.

Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 5.30 p.m.

Richmond River.—Electra, 7 p.m.

Clarence River.—Australian, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Manning River.—Coraki, 1 p.m.

Richmond River, via Newcastle.—St. George, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Macleay River.—Burrawong, 8 a.m.

Melbourne.—R.M.S. Orotava, 10 a.m.

Thursday Island, Port Darwin, Manila, Hongkong, and Japan.—Menmuir, noon.

Wellington, &c., New Zealand (direct).—Talune, noon.

Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, from Wellington.—Tokomaru, noon.

Brisbane.—Leura, 1 p.m.

Clarence River.—Kallatina, 8 p.m.

MONDAY.

Eden.—Bega, 11 a.m.

Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 5.30 p.m.

Strahan, Zeehan, and West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Kawatiri, 5.30 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Nelligen.—Peterborough, 11 a.m.

United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius (overland to Adelaide, and thence per Orotava), 4.30 p.m.

R.M.S. Orotava (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.

Dunedin, &c., N.Z., and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Monowai, 5.30 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide.—R.M.S. Orotava, 5.30 p.m.

Clarence River.—City of Grafton, 8 p.m.

Byron Bay, Coff's Harbour, and Woolgoolga.—Excelsior, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

Hobart.—Tambo, 11 a.m.

Auckland, &c., N.Z. direct.—Tarawera, 3 p.m.

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The Sydney Morning Herald.

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1899.

Early yesterday morning Earl Beauchamp, Governor-elect of New South Wales, reached Albany by the R.M.S. Himalaya. On arrival Mr. G. H. Reid went on board and welcomed his Lordship to Australia.

Mr. Alfred Deakin, M.L.A., of Victoria, passed through Sydney yesterday on his way from Melbourne to Queensland, where he will deliver addresses in favour of Australian federation. Elsewhere will be found the report of an interview with him on some aspects of the proposed Commonwealth. Mr. Deakin was accompanied by Mr. Barton on his journey to Brisbane. Mr. Cook, Minister for Mines, is now in his electorate advocating the adoption of the amended Commonwealth Bill. The Premier has arranged to deliver addresses in support of the measure at Gundagai, the Gibraltar Mine, Adelong, and Tumut.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales will review 30,000 volunteers at Hyde Park, London, in July. The detachment of New South Wales Lancers will be present.

The Right Rev. H. Tugwell, Bishop of Western Equatorial Africa, has been committed for trial on a charge of criminal libel. He was allowed bail. Numbers of commercial men at Lagos recently commenced actions against him for having declared, in a letter to the "Times," that three-fourths of the Europeans on the West Coast of Africa died from drunkenness.

Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India, states that the Ameer of Afghanistan is showing extremely cordial relations towards the British Empire.

The Russian Government has warned the Porte that 20,000 Armenian refugees in the Caucasus must return to Anatolia.

One thousand Finns of the age for military service are emigrating to escape conscription for the Russian service.

On Tuesday the match between the South of England Eleven and the Australian cricketers was continued at the London County Cricket Ground. On Monday the Englishmen's first innings resulted in 246 runs, and the Australians lost two wickets for 35. On Tuesday the Australians held possession of the wickets the whole day, and when stumps were drawn had scored 357 runs for eight wickets.

Dr. F. W. Reitz, the Transvaal Secretary of State, declares that this week the situation has improved.

Mr. St. John Brodrick, replying to a question in the House of Commons on Tuesday, stated that the agreement between Russia and Great Britain regarding the Yang-tse-Kiang Valley, in China, stipulated that no portion of that territory should ever be leased, mortgaged, or alienated to any other Power. Great Britain's treaty rights north of the Great Wall would remain intact.

All hope of an agreement with Canada upon the points at issue between America and Canada has been abandoned by the United States Government. The commission which was appointed to arrive at a settlement of the differences is not likely to reassemble.

It is stated by the London "Daily News" that there is a majority in the Court of Cassation in favour of a revision of the Dreyfus sentence.

Lord George Hamilton announced in the House of Commons on Tuesday that the tender of an American firm had been accepted for the construction of the Goktick railway viaduct in Burmah. The amount of the tender was £60,000, the work to be completed in a year. The lowest English tender was £116,000, and the time was fixed at three years.

In the House of Commons on Tuesday the Government announced, amidst cheers, that an amendment would be moved on its behalf declining to accept the Church Discipline Bill, which had already been read the first time. The terms of the amendment foreshadowed the introduction of legislation in the event of the failure of the episcopacy to speedily secure obedience.

The Japanese steamer Yawata Maru, which recently landed 40 Japanese at Thursday Island, has three for Townsville and 10 for Brisbane. Instructions have been issued that these men are not to be allowed to land, unless they can prove that they are neither artisans nor labourers.

A bushman, known as "Broncho George," has been fined £175 on seven charges of illegally altering brands at Ayr, Queensland, with the alternative of six months' imprisonment on each charge.

The City Coroner yesterday held an inquest concerning the death of Ellen Elizabeth Baker, aged 1 year and 7 months, at Balmain, on Tuesday. William Frederick Baker, the child's father, was present in custody. The jury returned a verdict of "wilful murder" against Baker, who was committed for trial.

Yesterday a deputation waited upon the Colonial Secretary to place before him a statement with the object of justifying the continuance of the Francis-street Night Refuge, against which the Royal Commission on Charities had penned a condemnation. Mr. Brunker, in reply, stated that when the report of the Commission was considered, the representations made by the deputation would be placed side by side with it.

Later news from Kangaroo Island is to the effect that as yet the missing survivor of the Loch Sloy wreck has not been found. Men are out searching the scrub for him.

The Government has appointed a board, consisting of 12 members, to inquire into the unemployed problems.

Bar silver was quoted on Tuesday in London at 2s 4½d per oz. standard.

At yesterday's Sydney wool sales 1893 bales were catalogued, and the sales amounted to 4647 bales. Competition was again keen, and values were quite on a par with those ruling in London.

The Stock and Share market yesterday was characterised by inactivity on the investment side, transactions being few. Government securities were steady, but without business.

In the Import market yesterday continued activity prevailed, metallic lines and jute goods coming in for the greater part of the inquiry. Large sales were again made, and several further advances in price took place.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 145 bales of wool arrived, and 16 were received coastwise.

A much larger volume of business was transacted in the Mining market yesterday, a general improvement in values of stocks being noticeable, particularly in Western Australian gold companies.

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The R.M.S. Mariposa, from San Francisco, arrived at Auckland late on Tuesday night. The R.M.S. Himalaya, from London, arrived at Albany yesterday morning. The French mail steamer Armand Behic left Colombo on the 5th instant homewards. The French mail steamer Ville de la Ciotat left Colombo on the 9th instant outwards. The R.M.S. India arrived at Suez on the 8th instant homewards.

Federalists in all parts of the colony have to be reminded that the question to be submitted to the referendum next month will be decided, not by misrepresentation nor by partisanship, but by majority of the votes. It is therefore incumbent on all friends of the national cause to take the necessary steps so that no obstacle will intervene between their desire for union and their right to endorse it with their vote. The referendum is an experiment with which we have not had much acquaintance under English institutions. Until the Convention delegates were elected by the voters of each colony voting as one electorate, and until the federal referendum was taken last year, we had never locally tried that experiment. On the second occasion it was not a signal success. If a referendum means anything it means the decision of a public question by a majority vote of the people. That majority may conceivably be qualified by a limitation, but when the referendum was taken last year it was discounted not by one fixed limitation only, but also by a second, adopted after the terms of the original referendum were agreed upon. Federalists regarded that step at the time as a breach of faith with the other colonies. It is satisfactory to be able to say that when the referendum is taken next month it will be free from any such questionable manipulation. A simple majority will suffice, and the people will be called upon to declare by their plain "Yes" or "No" if the Federal Constitution recommended to their acceptance is to be approved or not. Had this been done last year the majority vote recorded then for federation would have advanced the whole of Australia to-day well on its way towards federal union. With the limitation removed, and the way cleared for that direct appeal to the democracy of the country on which the national cause securely rests, there ought to be no doubt about the result which will be made public when the verdict of the referendum poll is declared.

The minimum limit, however, was not the only obstacle in the way of the free declaration of the people's will last year, and it is right that the fact should be made plain in justice to those who so strenuously upheld the cause of union on that occasion. We have only to refer back to the numerous complaints which we published, and on which we commented on that occasion, to show what the other obstacles were. These complaints were definite in their character. It was charged that there was official neglect in informing the electors of the new polling arrangements in force during the taking of the referendum. It was said that new polling places were proclaimed, and that sufficient notice was not given to federal voters of the fact. It was complained that the locations of many polling places familiar to the electors of country districts were changed, and that the notice of the change was not only late in coming, but insufficient when it came. On this point we need only repeat what we said at the time, that attention was twice called in our columns to the delay in giving this information before it was available, and that when it was at last made known we gave publicity to complaints that the notification was insufficient. As a matter of fact, the changes were advertised so far as they concerned the city and surrounding districts, while the country, where the need was greatest, was served only by the issue of a few thousand posters very shortly before the day of polling, with tardy circulars to returning officers to the same effect. Further than this, the poll for the referendum was timed to close at 5 o'clock, and no special reminder was given to country voters that the poll would not close at 6 o'clock, the hour to which they were accustomed. Many voters lost their vote in consequence, and in this connection the case of a group of electors of Murwillumbah may be instanced; while a complaint from Wagga Wagga was selected at the time as typical of many received as to the loss of votes due to the electors not being informed of the new polling regulations. It may also be mentioned that the denial of the claim of voters to exercise their right last year outside their own electorates unless they could show certificates of enrolment, added to the unfamiliarity of electors with the use of the "electoral right" qualification, had much to do with the result of the referendum poll. Those who voted last year in favour of federal union will hardly need to be reminded of the confusion in supplying the returns, which was one of the consequences of the official arrangements made to record the referendum vote.

It is no part of our present purpose to apportion the blame in connection with these things, but at this juncture it is necessary to remind the federal voters of them. We want a clear and untrammelled vote on June 20. The national question is to be referred to the people for decision, and if their vote is to have any value at all it must be a free vote, and unhampered by any official or Parliamentary restriction. As we have seen, the Parliamentary limitation has been removed by this year's Enabling Act. Every official assistance is to be given the electors. The possession of an electoral right will constitute a sufficient title to vote, irrespective of the polling place which it may suit the convenience of the elector to use. This will have the effect, among other things, of preventing the disenfranchisement of federal voters who may have recently changed their places of residence. The public has a right to expect that due notice of the places and times of polling will be given, and that where changes are made those interested will be acquainted with the fact in time. If these precautions are taken we may expect that the referendum poll this year will be larger than it was on the last occasion, when out of a nominal total of something like 290,000 voters on the rolls the total federal vote recorded accounted for under 138,000. When the polling restrictions were removed at the general election in the following month over 40,000 votes more were recorded, though three electorates were uncontested, thus conclusively showing that the restrictions on the referendum vote had served the purpose of acting as a check on the operation of the ballot. This year these restrictions are removed, and the responsibility for the result is thrown more directly on the voters themselves. It is therefore imperative on all friends of the federal cause to take the necessary steps in time, so that their votes will be available when next month's referendum is recorded.

The unrest in the Transvaal seems to be making towards a head. In view of the agitation there and in England, which by the meeting at the Town Hall here to-day will be extended to Australia, it may be well to summarise the situation. Not to go back to ancient history, it is known that after the Jameson raid in 1897 Johannesburg was disarmed, and promises were made by the Boer Government that the grievances of the Uitlanders should be redressed. Those grievances consisted of the steady refusal of the franchise or even powers of local government, so that the entire mining industry of the Rand, the existence of the great body of Uitlander population, mainly British, and the investments in the Municipality of Johannesburg were virtually held on sufferance terms. Two years have passed since then. President Kruger has been re-elected, his Executive and the Raads or Houses of Parliament remain as they were; the Boer still holds his secure and heavy hand upon the foreigners who make his country rich and swell his revenues. At length it seems as if the patience of the British subjects in the Transvaal has reached its limit. On March 24 last a petition addressed to her Majesty the Queen signed by 21,000 British subjects in the Transvaal was handed to Mr. Conyngham Greene, H.B.M.'s Agent at Pretoria. By him it was forwarded to Sir Alfred Milner, the South African High Commissioner, and thence it reached the Queen. By a coincidence the grievances of the Uitlanders were the matter of two important speeches in March. Mr. Chamberlain, in the House of Commons, replying to Sir H. Vincent, said that in no essential had the grievances of the Uitlanders received from the Boer Government that consideration and redress which had been promised. At Johannesburg President Kruger made a brief visit, when, addressing a crowd, he declared that he had kept all his promises, that eventually the franchise would be enlarged, that those who had brought about the petition were fishers in troubled waters, and that apparently the desire was on the part of England to get the Transvaal back. As our cablegrams have apprised us, the petition is exciting much public attention in England, where already a number of meetings have been held in support of its claims. The petition has been presented to the Queen, and Mr. Chamberlain said that under the circumstances there could be no question of the right of British subjects in the Transvaal to address the Throne. It is in support of this petition that the meeting of this afternoon is projected.

The petition is a strongly worded document. It sets forth that since 1897 the condition of the Uitlanders has gone from bad to worse. The legislation of the Boer Parliament has been unfriendly, and as instances the petition quotes the Press Law and the Aliens' Expulsion Law, both of which are arbitrary. The municipality granted for Johannesburg is worthless, being subservient to the Government. Half the councillors are burghers or Boers, though the Boer citizens are 1000 in number and the Uitlanders 23,000. The High Court has been reduced to a condition of subservience. The revenues of the country are diverted to the building and arming of fortifications at Pretoria and Johannesburg to terrorise the Uitlanders. The police are exclusively burghers, that is, Boers, who are ignorant and prejudiced, and a danger instead of a protection to the people. The jurors being also Boers, there is no chance of justice in cases where a racial issue may be involved. The state of affairs became intolerable after the murder of Mr. Edgar, a British subject, by a Boer policeman, and the favouritism displayed by the Government in connection with this case. A petition to the Queen on the subject was signed by 4000 persons, but not presented owing to informalities. For taking part in preparing this petition two Uitlanders, Messrs. Dodd and Webb, were arrested. A meeting called by the South African League, the Uitlanders' organisation, on January 14 was broken up by armed and organised burghers under Government officials. The condition of the British subjects, the petition concludes, is intolerable. They are prevented by the direct action of the Government from ventilating their grievances, wherefore the petitioners pray her Majesty to extend her protection to them, to cause an inquiry to be held into their grievances, to secure the reform of abuses, and to obtain substantial guarantees from the Transvaal Government and a recognition of the petitioners' rights. The dynamite monopoly, which has more recently come into publicity, is less of a popular grievance; by raising the price of this necessary in mining it lessens the profits of the Rand mineowners.

It does not need much imagination to conceive the Uitlanders' lot as excessively uncomfortable. The foreigners, most of whom are British subjects, outnumber the Boers considerably, and the Uitlanders undoubtedly represent the progress, the development, and the real energy of the country. Yet they bear a government of pinpricks. The police, the judiciary, the Civil service of the Transvaal, are hostile, and it is even said mercenary. The education of the children is on the Dutch plan. The local government of Johannesburg is a burlesque; the very sewage of the town is managed by a Boer "monopoly." The importation of arms goes on to overawe the Uitlanders, and the terms of contempt which the Boers take upon themselves would alone provoke the subjects of a high-spirited nation. Smarting under these long-standing provocations, the Uitlanders of British nationality have at last made a stand. They joined in December, 1896, in an unfortunate movement by which the redress of their grievances was sought from armed British in Rhodesia. Warned by experience, they have now laid their case at the foot of the Throne, and invoked the protection of their flag and countrymen. Unquestionably their case cannot rest where it is. Either the British Government must abandon these 21,000 of its subjects or support them. The former is inconceivable. In the latter case, what will be the outcome? The firmness of President Kruger is great, but the momentum of the British Government when it does move is also great. It is a case of the irresistible meeting the immovable. President Kruger has no allies to-day in the German Emperor, the French Government, or the Afrikander Bund. He must therefore see that the times require of him concession and conciliation, instead of defiance. But the Uitlanders' terms are no trifles. Granted, they amount to a reversal of the balance of power in the Transvaal, for given the franchise the foreigners, who outnumber the Boers, must soon make the government theirs. The situation is critical. No one can tell what the upshot of it will be, but we may hope that England will be able to get fair play for her subjects in the Transvaal without precipitating a racial conflict. Dr. Reitz, the State Secretary at Pretoria, says that matters are improving. So much the better, for apparently the time has come for a settlement of the grievances of foreigners in the Transvaal.

Queensland is finding some difficulty with incoming Japanese. The northern colony is the only one which accepted the benefits of the treaty between England and Japan, following which the Government at Brisbane made some arrangements with the Japanese Government touching emigration. It is now complained that this understanding is being broken, for on the arrival of the Yawata Maru at Thursday Island recently she landed 40 Japanese. Some time ago the Government of Queensland refused to permit the introduction of 50 Japanese as farm labourers. Our telegram this morning states that intending Japanese passengers for Queensland ports south of Thursday Island will not be permitted to land. It is evident therefore that the northern colony finds it easier to begin the process of letting in Asiatic immigrants than of checking it when begun. That is the common experience of these colonies, and hence the alarm with which the southern people view the existence of these open doors—Port Darwin in the South Australian Northern Territory, a virtual Chinese colony, and Thursday Island, off the North Queensland coast, the depot of the Torres Straits pearlshellers, now a sort of cosmopolis, in which the Japanese much predominate. It so happens that no immediate danger threatens from the latter quarter. The Japanese who resort to Thursday Island do so in order to engage in pearlshelling, and so many are the fatalities arising from that dangerous occupation that it is no doubt necessary to recruit their numbers from time to time. But the Japanese are a persevering race. They will not stay at Thursday Island if once they reach there in numbers beyond the resources of the adjacent waters to support. Then we may have them, and an international question to boot, on the mainland. That is one of the things which federation will cure speedily.

The Railway Commissioners, it is announced, are now offering prizes for the best-kept station gardens in the metropolitan radius. In the old days a railway station was an unsightly block of buildings, outside which men in uniform were in the habit of making loud remarks in an unknown tongue. These were supposed by the initiated to mean the names of the stations, but the uninitiated, who form a very respectable part of railway travellers, looked upon the remarks as merely an item of the entertainment for which they had paid their money at the booking-office. At any rate, it was not to be supposed that the loud-voiced if inarticulate persons in uniform were calling out the name of the station. Was this not printed large enough for any eye to see on various points of vantage on the station? To be sure there is an old complaint ventilated in an ancient number of "Punch" to the effect that the perplexed passenger could not see the name of the station for the number of advertisements surrounding it. No such complaint can be made with regard to New South Wales lines. Every station has its advertisements of sorts, but he would be a blind or a particularly unfortunate person who could not see that he had arrived at such and such a stage of his journey. And for the most part the traveller on New South Wales lines will be prepared to recognise with gratitude the fact that the various stations at which his train stops are pleasing spots in the wilderness of rail. Plants seem to spring up in extraordinary profusion out of asphalt. Unsightly walls are covered with creepers, blossoming in their due time, and the long sweep of arid platforms is relieved by greenery of various kinds, arranged, as the taste and fancy of the cultivators decide, into various shapes and forms. Hitherto passengers owe this succession of oases to the taste of individual stationmasters. They could, if they liked, leave the platform as bare of verdure as a tennis ball; but their regard for Nature and its beauties prompted them to raise gardens in Sahara. The Railway Commissioners have now come to the encouragement of officers of this kind by offering prizes to those of them who superintend the best-kept station gardens. All things considered, this is a wise move. The only possible danger is that railway porters would be tempted to devote their energies to horticulture instead of to the less ornamental duties of their position. But that danger is hardly worth considering, and the travelling public generally will be glad to think that the Commissioners are prepared to encourage the efforts of those of their servants who care to make the stations as pleasant and beautiful as possible.

LETTERS.—In another portion of this issue will be found some interesting information contained in a letter from our London correspondent dealing with Australian topics, whilst the Yorkshire wool letter, from our Bradford correspondent, will be read with interest in view of the marked rise in the price of wool. In addition to these our special mining reporter deals at length with the gold-mining resources of the Nerrigundah, Tinpot, and Bambo fields.

THE TICK PEST.—The Minister for Agriculture is considering the question of the issue of licenses qualifying persons to inoculate cattle against the ravages of the tick fever. At present he is strongly in favour of retaining the right of inoculation within the department. Mr. Cook sees many reasons why only inspectors of stock or other persons in the department should be allowed to inoculate the herds of dairy farmers. His reasons do not apply in the case of large stock-raisers, who are in a better position than small holders of stock to protect their interests.

DEPUTATIONS TO THE MINISTER FOR WORKS.—The Minister for Works, Mr. Young, will receive three deputations to-day. Mr. Parkes, M.L.A. (the Postmaster-General), will introduce the first at 11.30 a.m., the deputationists being members of the municipal councils of Liverpool, Enfield, Marrickville, Canterbury, &c., and the question being the extension of the Marrickville-Belmore railway line to Liverpool. At noon Mr. D. Davis, M.L.A., will introduce a deputation of the Mayors of Nowra and Berry on the subject of the protection of Crookhaven Heads. At 2 p.m. Mr. Fegan, M.L.A., will introduce members of the Municipal Council of Newcastle and the Chamber of Commerce, who desire to speak regarding the local harbour works and the Narrabri-Walgett railway.

DISTRESS AT COBAR.—The people in the Cobar district are experiencing some of the miseries of a water famine, and in their distress have appealed to the Government for assistance. A monster public meeting was held in Wrightville on May 4 under the auspices of the local progress committee, and on the next day the hon. secretary (Mr. Harris A. Edwards) wrote to the Colonial Secretary, laying before him the unfortunate position of the residents, and asking for help. The meeting passed a resolution to the effect that the local people were in serious straits owing to the fact that all the mines, excepting three, were closed down for want of water. Hundreds of men were out of employment at Wrightville, Gladstone, Daptville, and The Peak; and they and their families were reduced to such a condition that they were unable to pay for water for domestic purposes. The resolution further asked the Colonial Secretary to use his influence with the Railway Commissioners to obtain for the men in question one train of water per week free of charge until a local supply mends the position. They said that at present they had to pay 1s per 200 gallons for the water and from 7s 6d to 9s 6d in cartage. Mr. Brunker sent the letter on to the Railway Commissioners, and the chairman, Mr. Oliver, replied that the department could not undertake to supply water free of charge, but would in the circumstances reduce the minimum charge from 1d to ½d per ton per mile. The water would be hauled from Nyngan, where it would be drawn from the municipal supply, and the municipality of Cobar would have to arrange as to payment with that of Nyngan. As to the distribution of the water among the inhabitants, that, Mr. Oliver suggested, was a matter for the Colonial Secretary to take in hand if the position of the people was such as to warrant Government intervention. On receipt of this reply Mr. Brunker placed himself in communication with the Minister for Labour, and in conjunction with Mr. Hogue made provision for Mr. Creer, superintendent of the Labour Bureau, to leave for Cobar this evening, and inquire into the state of affairs there.

RAILWAY INSPECTION.—The Railway Commissioners will leave Sydney this evening on a tour of inspection of the Illawarra lines.

THE RAILWAY ACCIDENT AT PARRAMATTA.—The Railway Commissioners have received a report from the traffic office relative to the mishap which took place at the Parramatta Station on Tuesday evening, as reported by our Parramatta correspondent yesterday. The matter is forming the subject of a departmental inquiry. It is pointed out by the department that the occurrence is known departmentally as a shunting accident, and could not have taken place had any passengers been in the train, because in such case a different process would have been followed.

NAVAL NEWS.—The flagship Royal Arthur yesterday went up to the Sutherland Dock. After an overhaul the flagship will return to her moorings, and on or about the 22nd instant will leave for Western Australia, via Jervis Bay and South Australia. It will interest the many admirers and Australian friends of Rear Admiral Henry Coey Kane, C.B., the hero as captain of H.M.S. Calliope, in the memorable Samoan hurricane of 1889, to learn that according to mail news received yesterday he is likely to succeed Rear Admiral Henry John Carr as Superintendent of Devonport Dockyard when that officer retires on July 6 next. Naval advices by yesterday's mail state that France has ordered six submarine boats of the Norval type, with a length of 110ft. 6in., and a beam of 11ft. 3in. They will displace 106 tons when "awash." Single screw engines to work at 217 indicated horsepower are to give a speed of 12 knots. Their armament will consist of four torpedo tubes each, and each boat will cost £26,000. The crew of each vessel will consist of two officers and nine men. A naval critic, writing of them, remarks:—"We should think that the chief vocation of these boats will be to aid in swelling the French pension list."

H.M.S. PYLADES, FOR SYDNEY, AT COLOMBO.—Word reached Sydney yesterday that H.M.S. Pylades, formerly out on this station, and again commissioned for Australia, arrived at Colombo on April 13. Her present commission dates from February 14, and she is now in command of Lieutenant Tupper, with Lieutenants J. Watson, Arthur Truscott (navigating lieutenant), and Keddell, Sub-lieutenant Nash, Paymaster Layton, Surgeon Axford, and Engineer Hudley. Her crew numbers in all 170 officers and men. Her voyage to Colombo was a pleasant one with the exception of some dirty weather met with between Gibraltar and Malta.

PASSENGERS TO NEW ZEALAND.—On board the Huddart Parker line steamer Westralia, which left yesterday for Auckland, were Lady Ranfurly (wife of the Governor of New Zealand), Lady Constance Knox, and the Hon. Charles Hill Trevor.

PROPOSED TOWN HALL FOR NEWTOWN.—At a meeting of the Newtown Municipal Council held on Tuesday evening Alderman Crozier moved,—"That a special committee consisting of the Mayor, together with Aldermen Cox, Salmon, Smith, Rigg, and the mover be appointed to consider and report to the council meeting this day month upon the advisability of building a new Town Hall for the borough, the probable cost of the same, and the estimated revenue for the public use, with a view to the whole subject being submitted to the ratepayers by the way of the referendum at the next annual election of aldermen and auditors." Alderman Crozier set forth the advantages that a large and well designed building to be used as a Town Hall and for public gatherings would be in a densely populated borough like Newtown. He contrasted the present small building with many of the larger and more convenient buildings of a similar character to be found in boroughs of a less important nature. He also stated that such a building as the one proposed could be made to pay from the outset. Alderman Rigg, M.L.A., seconded the motion, which, after discussion, was carried.

RECLAMATION OF MOSMAN'S BAY.—At the last meeting of the Mosman Council a letter was read from the Department of Public Works acknowledging receipt of the acceptance by the council of the Government proposal respecting the reclamation of the head of Mosman's Bay.

MAILS AND MAIL STEAMERS.—A great send-off was accorded the Alameda yesterday, when she left Circular Quay for San Francisco. The vessel got away sharp, and cleared the heads at 12.50 p.m. for Auckland. The Mariposa, in the same line, from San Francisco for Sydney, left Auckland at 11.15 a.m. yesterday, and is due here on Saturday night late or Sunday morning. A quick run was made by the P. and O. Company's Himalaya from London. She reached Albany at 8 a.m. yesterday, and left four hours later for Adelaide. Her mails should be here on Monday next—31 days from London.

A NEW INTERCOLONIAL STEAMER.—The Zealandia, the handsome passenger steamer built to the order of Messrs. Huddart, Parker, and Co., for their line between Sydney and New Zealand ports, was launched at Dundee, Scotland, on March 29. The vessel is the first constructed by Messrs. Gourlay Brothers for the firm of Messrs. Huddart, Parker, and Co., and is described in the mail advices received yesterday as a gracefully lined 3000 ton ship. She will be fitted up for the conveyance of a large number of first and second cabin passengers. The dimensions of the new steamer are:—Length, 327ft.; breadth, 42ft.; depth, 23ft.; and she will be engined for a guaranteed speed of 15 knots.

THE TOMOANA—A NEW STEAMER FOR THE AUSTRALIAN TRADE.—The representatives of the Tyser line at this port have received advice of the successful launching of the Tomoana at Sir James Laing's yards, at Sunderland. This steamer is one of four powerful new steamers which are being built to augment the fleet of the Tyser line, now so well known in the trade between London and the colonies. When completed the Tomoana will steam to New York to take up the June sailing to Australian and New Zealand ports. Two of the other steamers, named respectively Star of Australia and Indradevi, are nearing completion, and the fourth is in the builder's hands. The addition of these four boats will give the Tyser line a fleet of 10 high-class steamers, fitted specially with refrigerating machinery for the conveyance of frozen meat and produce. All these steamers will be available, as may be required, to assist in carrying on the service recently inaugurated by the Tyser line from New York to Australia and New Zealand ports.

THE MISSING STEAMER PERTHSHIRE.—As the Perthshire is now out 15 days from Sydney to the Bluff, a run of 1100 miles, there is a growing apprehension for the safety of the vessel. Yesterday a reporter from the "Herald" saw the shipping-master (Captain J. Edie) who for many years commanded steamers under the Union Steamship Company's flag between Australia and New Zealand, and who has consequently a

CADBURY'S COCOA.
The popular beverage for all seasons.—Advt.

practical knowledge of the route, the currents, and the general probabilities. Captain Edie at once commented upon the fact that it had not been announced that a tugboat from Sydney had gone out on "spec" to look for the ship. He mentioned the case of the breakdown of a large steamer off the Californian coast recently, when one of Messrs. J. D. Spreckels's tugs went out 400 or 500 miles, picked the ship up, and towed her into port, for which service a handsome salvage reward was paid. He expressed very great surprise that similar action had not apparently been taken here. Speaking of the Perthshire's probable position, he said:—"My impression is that she will be found north of Cook Strait rather than to the south of it. The current sets north, and with a comparatively light vessel in southerly weather she could not get south. I think that steamers going from here through Cook Strait, or coming this way would have a better chance of falling in with the Perthshire than steamers direct to or from the Bluff." "Do you think she has foundered?" was asked. "No, why should she founder? She is a first-class vessel, and admitting that a broken shaft damaged the after part of her hull, the after compartment only would be flooded. At least that is my view of the matter." The steamer Wanaka, which last night arrived, saw nothing of the steamer. She came it appears via the East Coast (Middle Island) ports, her final port being Lyttelton and thence through Cook Strait. They had for four days strong W.S.W. winds, heavy sea, and rain, and then fresh southerly winds. This kind of weather would of a certainty send the Perthshire in a north-easterly direction, or more abreast of Sydney, though well over on the New Zealand side.

THE DETENTION OF THE SHIP REPUBLIC.—A special meeting of the Marine Board has been called for to-day, when the reports of the surveyors who recently surveyed the ship will be considered, and the board will decide as to the application which was made by the crew of the ship on Monday to be allowed to go to sea in the vessel. The meeting will not be an open one, being specially convened to receive the reports and papers that may be submitted on behalf of the owners of the vessel. The report of the official surveyor appointed by the board to survey the ship in company with Captain Graingor, who is acting for the owners, was forwarded to the board yesterday.

ARRIVAL OF STOCK FROM NEW ZEALAND.—The Union Company's steamer Wanaka, which last night arrived from New Zealand, brought over some valuable prize stock. They comprised the champion bull of New Zealand, Our Jock of Chetrole, and three prize stallions for stud purposes, the Lucky Times, Earl of Springfield, and Rob the Ranter.

GOLD SHIPMENT TO THE UNITED STATES.—The mail steamer Alameda, which yesterday left here for San Francisco, took in her treasure-room £150,000. The gold was shipped in sums of £50,000 each by the London Bank of Australia, the Bank of Australasia, and the Union Bank of Australia.

THE ART SOCIETY.—The council of the Art Society met last evening. The president, Mr. Lister Lister, was in the chair, and there was a large attendance of members. An address for presentation to Lord Beauchamp was laid on the table, with sketches for insertion. The annual exhibition will take place early in August.

TYPHOID FEVER AT LOWER RANDWICK.—At Tuesday's meeting of the Randwick Municipal Council consideration was given to a petition from the residents, who attributed the epidemic of typhoid to the drainage from the Randwick Asylum. The Mayor (Alderman T. Powell) expressed his belief in unequivocal terms that the whole source of the trouble came simply and solely from the drain in the asylum grounds. In connection with this matter we have been furnished by the asylum authorities with a copy of the correspondence which, it is stated, shows the condition of the sewerage system of the asylum and its possible connection with the outbreak of typhoid fever. In the first place there is a report from Dr. Dick, honorary visiting medical officer to the institution, in which he states on January 31 that he inspected the sewerage system, and found it in working order and acting satisfactorily. He suggested, however, that it would be advisable to have the institution connected with the metropolitan sewer system, hence he advised that the directors of the asylum should use their influence to have the new sewer opened at an early date, so that Lower Randwick might be connected with the metropolitan sewer system as soon as possible. Being desirous of accounting for the outbreak in the institution of typhoid fever in December last, Dr. Dick invited Dr. W. G. Armstrong, health officer for the metropolis, to visit the institution, and he did so. He came to the conclusion that the case of typhoid did not arise from any defect in the sanitation of the institution, but was one of the numerous class of "accidental cases," and that possibly the germs were introduced by friends of the patient. Dr. Armstrong was satisfied with the sanitary arrangements and the system, but made a few suggestions regarding the completion of the metropolitan new sewer, and these were at once brought under the notice of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage.

RUN OVER BY A CAB.—Yesterday afternoon the City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore) held a magisterial inquiry at St. Vincent's Hospital concerning the death of Reginald Gordon Horan, aged 11, which took place at 7 a.m. yesterday in that institution. The evidence showed that on Monday afternoon last deceased, who resided with his parents in Goulburn-street, ran in front of a cab in Campbell-street. He was knocked down and run over before the horse could be pulled up. He was taken to the St. Vincent's Hospital, and there found to be suffering from shock and internal injuries, to which he succumbed. A finding of accidental death was recorded.

The Postal authorities notify for general information that advertising pamphlets, circulars, &c., forwarded through the post to Victoria in large quantities are charged Customs duty there at the rate of 4d per lb.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Mosman council the Mayor tabled a minute in respect to the proposed sewerage rate to be charged in connection with the Mosman sewerage scheme, and suggested that a letter be sent to the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage asking them to state what sewerage rate would prevail. The minute was adopted.

A large and representative meeting of the residents of Pymble was held in the Presbyterian School-hall on Tuesday evening last to form a "progress association" for the district, and to discuss rules and regulations. Mr. W. A. Gilder occupied the chair, and draft rules and regulations were considered and finally adopted, and the following officers were elected:—President, Mr. W. A. Gilder; vice-president, Mr. P. C. Charlton; treasurer, Mr. F. C. Tucker; secretary, Mr. T. H. Jackson.

The final number of the probationers from the last term of training at the Home Training School and Lying-in Hospital, Stanley-street, Newtown, presented themselves for examination on Tuesday evening last, when five out of the six were successful in securing certificates of competency as midwifery nurses. The names of the successful candidates are:—Mrs. Lilian Norman, Miss Annie L. Cooper, Mrs. Maud Falkiner, Mrs. A. B. Kerle, Mrs. Rhoda Denton. This makes 10 out of the 11 who presented themselves for examination who successfully passed the imposed test.

An employee at Mr. M. Simmons' warehouse, Haymarket, named Moss Asher, had a narrow escape from serious injury yesterday. He was working in an upstairs apartment, when he fell through a manhole in the ceiling to the floor below, a distance of 15ft. The Civil Ambulance and Transport Brigade applied restoratives, and Asher, after a short period of unconsciousness, recovered sufficiently to go home.

Mr. H. P. Cameron-Holmstrom, the well-known dairy expert, has just received word that his brother has been knighted by the King of Sweden, receiving the distinction of the First-class Vasa Order, in recognition of his construction of an important railway.

In the Pitt-street Congregational School-hall this evening the Rev. James Hill, M.A., will deliver a lecture entitled "English Ideas of Individual Liberty."

A man named Sam Joseph, 35, a native of Madras, residing at 35 Crown-lane, was treated at the Sydney Hospital last night for a lacerated wound in the forehead. It was alleged that Joseph had been assaulted and robbed in Yurong-street, Woolloomooloo.

TO-DAY.

United Federal Executive: Meetings: Hunter's Hill, Council-chambers, Messrs. T. Rolin and T. R. Bavin, 8 p.m.
Colonists' Anti-Convention Bill League: Meetings: Rockdale Town Hall, Mr. W. M. Hughes, M.L.A., 8 p.m.; Burwood School of Arts, Mr. A. B. Piddington, 8 p.m.
Organ Recital: Town Hall, 8 p.m.
Pitt-street Congregational Literary and Social Union: Lecture by Rev. James Hill, 8 p.m.
Engineering Association: General Meeting, 70 Pitt-street, 8 p.m.
St. Andrews' Cathedral: Ascension Day, 8 and 11 a.m.
Presbyterian General Assembly: 10 a.m.
Brighton Races: 2.45 p.m.
Oratorio, "The Redemption": St. Thomas's, North Shore, 8 p.m.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "Belle of New York," 8 p.m.
Theatre Royal: "Adventure of Lady Ursula," 8 p.m.
Criterion: "Merry Wives of Windsor," 7.45 p.m.
Fitzgerald's Circus: 8 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: 7.45 p.m.
Lyceum Theatre: "Man's Enemy," 7.45 p.m.
Opera House: "Two Scamps," 8 p.m.
Bondi Aquarium: Open Daily.
The Cyclorama and Hall of Illusions: 10 a.m to 10 p.m

SECOND EDITION.

THE AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS.

CLOSE OF THE AUSTRALIANS' INNINGS.

LONDON, May 10, 1.30 p.m.

The match between the Australian Eleven and the South of England was resumed at the Crystal Palace Ground to-day.

The weather was warm and gloomy. The Australians closed their innings for a total of 375 runs, Noble being 116 not out.

The following are the remaining scores:—

Trumble, b Brockwell	7
Jones, b Brockwell	0
Noble, not out	116
All out for	375

2.35 p.m.

Trumble and Jones were bowled by Brockwell with successive balls.

Noble was over three hours at the wickets. He never gave a chance.

Townsend took five wickets for 112, Brockwell two for 41, Jessop one for 46. Lockwood one for 69, and Grace one for 54.

South of England commenced their second innings. C. B. Fry was finely caught in the slips by Trumble after scoring 12, all being hit off Jones's bowling in one over. The first wicket fell for 15. Abel was easily caught by Trumble off his own bowling after having made 5. Brockwell is 20 not out, and Hayward 6 not out, two wickets being down for 43.

The following are the scores:—

SOUTH OF ENGLAND.—Second Innings.

C. B. Fry, c Trumble, b Jones	12
Abel, c and b Trumble	5
Brockwell, not out	20
Hayward, not out	6
Two wickets for	43

THE TALLOW MARKET.

LONDON, May 10.

At the sales of Australasian tallow to-day 1075 casks were offered, of which 300 were sold. Prices remained unchanged.

THE INFLUX OF JAPANESE.

ACTION BY THE QUEENSLAND PREMIER.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The Premier, in replying to questions concerning the Japanese arrivals at Thursday Island, states that he has been watching this matter very closely for some time past. There appeared to be indications recently that the Japanese Government was not doing what might reasonably be expected to forward the views of Queensland on the subject. Mr. Dickson is very emphatic in stating his determination to insist that no Japanese shall be landed in Queensland without, or even with, passports unless the issue of such passports has been previously authorised by the Queensland Government, or unless it is clearly proved that the persons desiring to land are visiting the country for commercial purposes or as tourists. If it is found that our agreements under the treaty are being evaded Mr. Dickson is fully prepared to take the responsibility of dealing effectively with the matter by the introduction of legislation. He regards the influx of Japanese as of the very gravest importance, requiring to be effectively handled no matter what difficulties arise.

LATE MINING.

KALGOORLIE, Wednesday.

The clean-up of the Great Boulder for the last fortnight was as follows:—Tons milled 1850, yielding 2912oz.

The timbering of the main shaft of the Boulder Half-mile South is down to a depth of 350ft., and was finished to-day. Sinking operations will be resumed with rock drills immediately.

A trial crushing of a parcel of ore broken from the west body of the Boulder Central mine has shown that the stone is not amenable to ordinary battery and amalgamation treatment on account of the fine gold it contained.

It is reported that the Chaffer's mine struck good stone, showing free gold, in the west lode at the 500ft. level.

The April output of the Lake View Consols was as follows:—Tons milled 7769, yielding 5164oz. 12dwt.; tons treated 3927, for 1793oz. 15dwt.; slimes treated 3915 tons, yielding 1209oz. 13dwt. Total output, 7769 tons, yielding 8168oz. of gold, an average of 1oz. 1dwt. per ton. The approximate value of the yield is £32,000. The capital expended on machinery and plant, £3750; capital expended on mining development, £1080; working cost, £1100. In addition 100 tons of sulphide ore, containing 7700oz. of gold, were shipped during the month, but the returns are not yet available.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

KALGOORLIE, Wednesday.

A robbery of a most audacious and daring character was committed near Boulder Block on Monday evening. Mr. Herchick, jeweller, left his shop for a few minutes, and on his return he found the premises had been entered by thieves, and a lot of valuable jewellery stolen.

THE HURSTVILLE MUNICIPAL DEADLOCK.

The Hurstville Council met for a special sitting on the requisition of Aldermen J. G. Griffin and J. Sproule last evening, when the Mayor (Alderman F. G. Thompson) occupied the chair, and there were present Aldermen Clough, Sproule, Holderness, John Thompson, Corbett, Richards, Larbalestier, and Griffin. The business set out, pursuant to notice by the aldermen convening the meeting, upon the agenda paper was,—"For the purpose of taking the necessary steps to pay the council's workmen, as authorised by the council at its last ordinary meeting, held on the 4th instant, by either appointing an alderman or aldermen to sign cheques for such payments, or by taking any legal proceedings necessary to recover penalties in accordance with section 260 of the Municipalities Act of 1897 by moving the Supreme Court to enforce the council's authority to make such payments, and by appointing the council clerk to represent the council in any action, suit, or proceedings in any court of law, or in Equity, which may be decided to be instituted by the council in this matter, or to take such other steps as the council may be legally advised to take on their behalf, and to consult with and order Messrs. Carruthers and M'Donald, solicitors, to act in such actions and suits as may be necessary on behalf of the council; and further, to pass resolutions and take any steps necessary to vindicate the council's authority regarding the day labourers employed by the council, in view of the fact that the Mayor has, without the authority of the council, employed extra day labour, and given notice to or discharged some of the council's ordinary day labourers." Upon the meeting being declared open by the Mayor, Alderman Griffin rose and moved that the minutes of the last meeting be read. The Mayor ruled the motion out of order, and a discussion took place, Alderman Griffin quoting several bylaws and moving resolutions one by one, all of which the Mayor ruled out of order. Alderman Richards rose, and the Mayor ruled that he should not discuss anything until the business for which the council was especially convened was gone on with. Mr. Richards persisted in his address, when the Mayor left the chair and adjourned the meeting, leaving the council-chamber, the aldermen remaining in their seats. Alderman Richards then moved, and it was seconded by Alderman Sproule,—"That as the Mayor had left the chamber, and in accordance with their bylaws, Alderman Griffin take the chair." The motion on being put was carried. Alderman Griffin took the chair, and proceeded with the minutes. The clerk was disinclined to read the minutes, as he contended that the meeting had been adjourned, but he was told that he was the servant of the council and not the Mayor, and was instructed to read them, which he proceeded to do. The Mayor re-entered the chamber and resumed the chair, and instructed the clerk to desist from proceeding with the minutes. Several of the aldermen exclaimed, "You are still the chairman, Alderman Griffin," and the clerk proceeded to read the minutes, and the business was completed in terms of the business paper, the motion being carried. The Mayor remained all the time in the chair, but took no part in the proceedings. The day labour cheque was ordered to be signed by Alderman Sproule in place of the Mayor.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE NEW SOUTH WALES LANCERS.

A VOLUNTEER REVIEW.

LONDON, May 9.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales will review 30,000 volunteers in Hyde Park in July. The New South Wales Lancers, now in training at Aldershot, will take part.

Colonel Sir Howard Vincent, M.P., founder of the United Empire Trade League, suggests a wider colonial representation.

Only eight of the N.S.W. Lancers will be allowed to compete in each event at the military tournament in the Agricultural Hall, Islington.

THE DREYFUS CASE.

LONDON, May 9.

The evidence given before the Court of Cassation shows that an emissary of M. Lebret offered to buy the documents relating to the Dreyfus case from Major Esterhazy. The latter expressed his willingness to destroy the documents when his terms were fulfilled.

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The "Daily News" states that there is a majority in the Court of Cassation in favour of a revision of the Dreyfus sentence.

AMERICA AND CANADA.

THE JOINT COMMISSION UNLIKELY TO REASSEMBLE.

LONDON, May 10.

The United States Government has abandoned all hope of an agreement with Canada upon the points at issue between America and Canada.

The Commission which was appointed to arrive at a settlement of the differences is not likely to reassemble.

RUSSIA AND FINLAND.

EMIGRATING FINNS.

LONDON, May 9.

One thousand Finns of the military age are emigrating in order to escape conscription for Russian service.

INDIA AND AFGHANISTAN.

THE AMEER'S CORDIALITY.

LONDON, May 9.

Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India, states that the Ameer of Afghanistan is showing extremely cordial relations towards the British Empire.

THE TRANSVAAL.

THE OUTLOOK IMPROVING.

LONDON, May 10.

Dr. F. W. Reitz, the Transvaal Secretary of State, declares that the situation has improved this week.

ENGINEERING WORKS IN BURMAH.

AN AMERICAN TENDER ACCEPTED.

LONDON, May 10.

Lord George Hamilton, Secretary of State for India, announced in the House of Commons last night that the tender of an American firm had been accepted for the construction of the Goktiek railway viaduct in Burmah. The tender amounted to £60,000, and the work was to be completed within a year.

The lowest English tender sent in amounted to £116,000, and the time was fixed at three years.

ARMENIAN REFUGEES.

LONDON, May 9.

The Russian Government has warned the Porte that 20,000 Armenian refugees in the Caucasus must return to Anatolia.

CHARGE AGAINST A BISHOP.

LONDON, May 9.

Bishop Tugwell has been committed for trial on a charge of criminal libel arising out of statements contained in a letter to the "Times" to the effect that three-fourths of the Europeans who died on the West Coast of Africa died as the result of drunkenness. He was allowed bail.

A number of commercial men at Lagos recently commenced actions against the Right Rev. H. Tugwell (Bishop of Western Equatorial Africa) for having declared that three-fourths of the Europeans on the West Coast of Africa died from drunkenness.

THE SUGAR DUTIES IN INDIA.

LONDON, May 10.

Sir H. Fowler, M.P. for East Wolverhampton, intimated in the House of Commons last night, that it was his intention to move an address to the Crown to disallow the countervailing duties on bounty-fed sugar adopted by the Indian Government.

THE DUKE OF YORK.

LONDON, May 9.

H.R.H. the Duke of York, who has been suffering from a slight chill, is to-day much better.

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The Duke of York, in view of the numerous inquiries which have been made regarding his health, exclaimed "I might be a Kipling."

LONDON WOOL SALES.

LONDON, May 9.

The wool sales to-day were postponed owing to a fog.

TO CIVIL SERVANTS!
Call at 109 King-street for a 1lb. parcel of Lloyd's delicious 1s 3d Tea. You'll call again.—Advt.

THE AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS.

MATCH AGAINST THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.

AUSTRALIANS' FIRST INNINGS.

CENTURIES BY GREGORY AND NOBLE.

LONDON, May 9.

The Australian cricketers continued the first match of their tour at the London County Cricket Ground, Crystal Palace, to-day, against an eleven representing the South of England. On Monday the home side made 246 in the first innings, and the Australians lost two wickets (Darling and Iredale) for 35.

Rain fell early this morning, and afterwards the weather was lowering and threatening, and the light was of a shifting character. The showers did not affect the wicket, which was still good.

On recommencing Hill, not out, had Gregory for a companion, and both men were soon busy. The Sydney player was the more vigorous, and scored 11 in one over from Grace, who replaced Jessop at 67. At 74 Brockwell displaced Lockwood. The last two bowlers in the previous week twice dismissed Leicester for a very small total in the match with Surrey. Grace effected a separation by getting Hill lbw when his score was 39. Hill and Gregory scored 60 in less than an hour. Three for 96.

Worrall filled the gap, and made the second stand with Gregory. The partnership at 159 was broken through Worrall, 28, being caught by Brockwell off Townsend, who was a conspicuous all-round success last year for Gloucester.

With the departure of Worrall the adjournment for lunch was made, the score being four wickets for 159; Gregory 62.

Upon resuming Noble joined Gregory, and the New South Wales representatives made a capital stand. Both scored freely, and the second century was soon hoisted. While Noble compiled 34 Gregory got 25, and the sundries were increased by 4, making 63 since luncheon, and the total 222.

The home side's total was topped, and Gregory completed his century. With 124 to his credit, compiled in splendid style, he was given out to the Gloucester leg-break bowler.

M'Leod followed, and was caught by Brockwell off Townsend for 7.

Laver, who was chosen chiefly on account of, like Noble, having made a century in a club match last week, was stumped off Townsend before he had scored.

Kelly stayed some time with Noble, and shortly after the latter made a century for the second time in succession, the wicket-keeper was bowled by Townsend for 20.

Trumble followed, and had not scored when stumps were drawn, eight wickets being down for 357. Noble, who is not out 105, played very freely.

After luncheon Lockwood, Townsend, and Grace bowled in succession; but Noble and Gregory treated the bowling with indifference and batted in the freest style. Gregory was missed in the slips off Lockwood when he had scored 83, and a moment later he gave a chance at the wicket. He was cheered on completing his century. Gregory was at the wickets for three hours and 20 minutes.

Noble played first-class cricket throughout his innings, and batted in a consistent and taking style.

The partnership between Gregory and Noble lasted for an hour and 40 minutes, and produced 141 runs.

The following are the scores:—

SOUTH OF ENGLAND.—First Innings.

R. Abel, b Jones	5
C. B. Fry, c Hill, b Jones	81
W. Brockwell, c Trumble, b Noble	2
T. Hayward, c Jones, b Trumble	50
K. S. Ranjitsinhji, lbw, b Trumble	8
W. G. Grace, b Jones	5
C. L. Townsend, run out	18
Jessop, c Hill, b Jones	6
J. R. Mason, c Noble, b M'Leod	13
Lockwood, not out	41
Board, lbw, b Noble	8
Sundries	9
	246

AUSTRALIANS.—First Innings.

Darling, b Jessop	24
Iredale, c Hayward, b Lockwood	4
Hill, lbw, b Grace	39
Gregory, lbw, b Townsend	124
Worrall, c Brockwell, b Townsend	28
Noble, not out	105
M'Leod, c Brockwell, b Townsend	7
Laver, st Board, b Townsend	0
Kelly, b Townsend	20
Trumble, not out	0
Sundries	6
Eight wickets for	357

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

LONDON, May 10.

In the House of Commons last night Mr. J. F. Hogan, M.P. for Mid-Tipperary, asked the Government whether, in view of the offer of the Government of British Columbia to guarantee two-eighteenths of the cost of the proposed Pacific cable, independent of Canada's contribution, the Imperial Government would reconsider the scheme in harmony with the wishes of Canada and Australia.

Mr. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, said that the replies of the colonial Governments were awaited. If representations were made on their behalf regarding Great Britain's offer they would be carefully considered.

REMARKABLE CASE OF SUICIDE.

LONDON, May 10.

A remarkable case of suicide is reported from Choisy-le-roi, in France.

A medical man named La Forest, who had been summoned to attend an inquiry into certain accusations made against him, declined to be present, and committed suicide by inhaling gas. His wife acquiesced in his action, and, having awaited the end, she informed the police.

THE SOUDAN.

LONDON, May 10.

It is announced that Lord Kitchener will open the Soudan to traders in September next.

THE TIN MARKET.

LONDON, May 10.

Tin is quoted at £117 per ton.

BRITISH POLITICS.

THE LIBERAL PARTY AND LORD ROSEBERY.

LONDON, May 10.

Speaking at the Devonshire Club last night, Sir William Harcourt, late leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, denounced the proposals embodied in Lord Rosebery's recent speech, which he declared would obliterate the whole of Mr. Gladstone's legacy. The Liberal party, he said, deserved to be destroyed if it allowed Lord Rosebery to thwart its aims. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman was no apostle of reaction.

THE FAR EAST.

THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN AGREEMENT.

LONDON, May 10.

Mr. St. John Brodrick, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated in the House of Commons last night that the agreement between Great Britain and Russia regarding the Yang-tse-Kiang Valley in China, stipulated that no portion of that territory should ever be leased, mortgaged, or alienated to any other Power. Great Britain's treaty rights north of the Great Wall would remain intact.

THE CRISIS IN THE CHURCH.

LONDON, May 10.

The Government announced in the House of Commons last night, amidst cheers, that an amendment would be moved on its behalf declining to accept the Church Discipline Bill, which has already been read the first time. The terms of the amendment foreshadowed the introduction of legislation in the event of the failure of the Episcopacy to speedily secure obedience.

VICTORIA.

SMUGGLING ACROSS THE BORDERS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Customs Department is beginning to feel that the imposition of fines is not deterrent to smuggling across the borders. Although heavy fines have been inflicted on offenders for many years past the illicit business is still carried on. The Premier has had the subject under consideration, and has instructed the Secretary for Trade and Customs to have criminal prosecutions initiated in any future cases that may occur. Where there is more than one person concerned the department may prosecute for conspiracy to defraud the revenue. The usual practice in all cases of smuggling is to impose a fine equal to three times the duty evaded, and in such cases the offenders submit themselves to the decision of the Minister of Customs.

The Cabinet yesterday declined to interfere at present with the sentence of imprisonment for life passed five years ago on Mrs. Cecile Anderson for shooting a man named Fraser.

The annual report for the year ended December 31, 1898, of the Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society, Limited, has been issued. During the year the society issued 3014 policies for life assurance and endowments to the amount of £874,681. The income for the year amounted to £412,898. The disbursements, including claims matured, endowments, and expenses, amounted to £304,584, leaving £108,314 to be added to the accumulated funds, which now amount to £2,261,656.

An uneasy feeling is caused among those engaged in the butter export trade at the failure of the Government to renew the contract with the P. and O. and Orient Companies for the conveyance of Victorian butter to London. It is rumoured that two representatives of the dairying trade in New South Wales are in negotiation with the two mail companies to secure all the space in the mail steamers for next season's butter.

A serious outbreak of phylloxera is reported from Rutherglen, which is the largest vine-growing district in the colony. Mr. C. French, the Government Entomologist, visited the vineyard to-day and found a full acre badly infected. He recommends a thorough inspection of the surrounding vineyards.

The old question whether railway employees who retire on compensation are entitled to free passes like their more favoured confreres, the pensioners, was raised to-day at an interview between seven of those who retired on compensation and the Railway Commissioner. The deputation reiterated their old contention that they were morally and legally entitled to free passes, and pointed out that there were not more than about a dozen retired employees who could make the same claim. The latter statement has obviously some relation to a report made by the Railway Commissioner that there are 1236 retired employees affected, this number being inclusive of all employees who retired on compensation. Mr. Williams replied that the Commissioner had just furnished a report on the question to the Premier; that he would discuss the matter with the Premier; and that it would probably go before the Cabinet for decision.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Parliament will meet on June 22, about a fortnight later than usual, as the Premier desires that the federal vote should be taken in New South Wales before the Governor makes his opening speech.

A Royal Commission has been appointed to inquire into the prospects and position of the Renmark irrigation settlement.

News of the death of the Rev. John Gardiner was received amongst Presbyterians in Adelaide with regret.

THE WRECK OF A SHIP.

PERTH, Wednesday.

Later telegrams received by the Collector of Customs from Carnarvon and Onslow show that the ship reported yesterday as wrecked went ashore in the Black Rock passage. The nearest telegraph station is 65 miles from the coast, and further news from the wreck cannot be received for some time.

SHOOTING FATALITY AT MANLY.

Constable E. Clibborn, of Manly, obtained leave from his ordinary night duty for last evening, and, intending to go shooting gillbirds yesterday afternoon, borrowed a double-barrelled breech-loading shot gun from a fellow-townsman. He took the gun to his home in Charles-street, near the top of the Red Hill, Manly, about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and after arriving commenced examining and cleaning the weapon. He was apparently unaware that the gun was loaded. He has six children, several of whom were in the house, together with their mother, and by some means it happened that just as Constable Clibborn touched the trigger one of the children, named Robert Francis, aged 5 years, came in at the door of the kitchen in which his father was seated. The charge exploded, narrowly missing Mrs. Clibborn, entered the right breast of the boy at short range, penetrated the body, and buried itself in the woodwork of the partition behind. The boy fell dead. The father horrified, at the accident, was paralysed with grief for a time. The mother lifted the body and laid it on a bed. Mr. Arthur Dargan, a neighbour, took the news to the police station shortly after 2 o'clock. Constable Taylor and Senior-sergeant Macintosh went up and found Constable Clibborn in a frantic condition and threatening to take his own life. The sergeant deemed it necessary for his own sake to put him under restraint until he should have somewhat recovered himself. Dr. Harvie attended at the house and pronounced life extinct. There is to be an inquest at 10 o'clock this morning at the Pier Hotel, Manly.

Mr. James Scott, M.A., hon. secretary of the Civil Ambulance and Transport Brigade, reports that the following members of the auxiliary class of the Fitzroy Dock Company of the brigade successfully passed their "first-aid" examination, at the Balmain Friendly Societies' Dispensary Hall, on the 6th instant:—Edward Foster, 100 per cent. of marks; Charles Hudson, 103; Albert Spinnes, 100; Arthur Toyer, 100; Henry Nuttis, 97; George B. Marsh, 92; Alfred Turner, 90; William Bakie, 88; William Haggarty, 86; George Spinner, 80; Thomas Storey, 80; Thomas M'Ginn, 77; John Barr, 76; John Podmore, 74; and Nathaniel Buddie, 67. The class was instructed and examined according to the syllabus by members of the British Medical Association under the brigade chief medical adviser.

THE NEW GOVERNOR.

ARRIVAL OF LORD BEAUCHAMP AT ALBANY.

MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

THE NEW GOVERNOR AND THE PREMIER MEET.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALBANY, Wednesday.

Lord Beauchamp arrived at Albany this morning on board the Himalaya. He is accompanied by his sister, Lady Mary Lygon, Lady Raglan, the Hon. Violet Somerset, Lady Bertha Wilbraham, the Hon. Robert Lindsay, of the Royal Scots Greys, A.D.C., Mr. Wilfred Smith, of the Grenadier Guards, A.D.C., and Mr. Victor Corcoran, private secretary. His Excellency and party enjoyed good health during the voyage, which was a most pleasant one.

When requested to grant an interview Lord Beauchamp informed your representative that he intended refraining from being interviewed, and had decided to have all communications made through his private secretary. Under these circumstances no interview could take place. Lord Beauchamp said that at present he was not in a position to express his views regarding federation. Mr. Corcoran, private secretary, handed the press the following message from Lord Beauchamp to the people of New South Wales. It is in verse, being an adaptation of a verse of Rudyard Kipling's "The Song of the Cities":—

Greeting,—Your birthstain have you turned to good,
Forcing strong wills perverse to steadfastness.
The first flush of the tropics in your blood,
And at your feet success.—Beauchamp.

Lord Beauchamp was met on board the mail steamer by the Government Resident, Mr. J. A. Wright, and welcomed to Australia. On landing he was received by the Premier of New South Wales, Mr. Reid, and the Mayor of Albany. His Excellency, accompanied by his private secretary, Mr. Reid, the Mayor, and Government Resident, then drove to the forts, and after inspecting them the party was driven around the marine drive, which commands an extensive view of Princess Royal Harbour, King George's Sound, and the outlying islands. Lord Beauchamp was enthusiastic in his admiration of the picturesqueness of Albany, and was charmed with the views obtained from the marine drive.

Mr. Reid informed your representative that an official interview had taken place between himself and Lord Beauchamp. Mr. Reid will leave the steamer at Melbourne and travel overland, reaching Sydney on the 18th, the day that the Himalaya is expected there.

THE RECEPTION OF LORD BEAUCHAMP.

MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS.

A general order issued last night gives full particulars as to the part the military and naval forces will take in connection with the official landing of Earl Beauchamp next Thursday, the 18th instant, at 3 p.m., at Prince's Stairs, Circular Quay. The following troops will parade on that date at 2.30 p.m. in review order:—

Lancers: Band, No. 1 (Sydney-Parramatta) Squadron, form up west side of Circular Quay. The escort will be found from this squadron. Artillery: Brigade Division Field Artillery, "A" Battery (mounted without guns) to form up on west side of Quay, "B" Battery and "C" Battery (dismounted) near the Treasury; N.S.W. Artillery Band and 1st and 2nd Garrison Division Artillery. Engineers: Nos. 1 and 2 (Field) Companies; No. 3 (Submarine Miners) Company; No. 4 (Electric) Company. Infantry: 1st Regiment, band, head-quarters, Hunter's Hill, and North Sydney Companies; 2nd Regiment, band, head-quarters, and Ashfield Companies; 5th Regiment—Scottish Rifles, band, and head-quarters Companies, Irish Rifles, band, and head-quarters Companies; 6th Regiment (Australian Rifles), band and head-quarters Companies; 7th Regiment (St. George's Rifles), band, and head-quarters Companies, National Guard, Railway Volunteer Corps, Army Service Corps, Army Medical Corps, without waggons, Naval Artillery Volunteers, Naval Brigade (by permission of O.C. local Naval Forces). "A" Battery, B.D.F.A., will fire the salutes from Dawes Battery as detailed hereunder. For lining the streets on both sides, the respective positions alluded to above will be as follows:—From Circular Quay to Exchange corner, Naval Brigade and Naval Volunteer Artillery; from the Exchange corner, via Pitt-street, and Martin-place to corner of George-street, 1st and 2nd Garrison Divisions Artillery, and Corps of Engineers. From corner of Martin-place to Market-street, via George-street, 1st Infantry Regiment; from Market-street to end of new Markets (near Town Hall), 2nd Infantry Regiment; from end of Markets to one chain up Park-street, Scottish Rifles; from thence to Pitt-street, Irish Rifles; from corner of Pitt and Park streets to the entrance gates of the park in Park-street, 6th Regiment; and from there to St. Mary's Cathedral, via College-street, 7th Regiment; opposite St. Mary's Cathedral, National Guard; from St. Mary's Cathedral to the gates of the United Service Institution, Railway Volunteer Corps. The Army Service Corps and the Army Medical Corps will parade by 2.30 p.m. in Government House Domain, and be at the disposal, on requisition, of commanding officers at such points as may be unduly weak through a misapprehension of numbers attending.

After his Excellency has passed the following corps, viz.:—1st G. D. Artillery, 2nd G. D. Artillery, Corps of Engineers, 1st Infantry Regiment, they will move without further orders, by the shortest route, to line Macquarie-street from United Service Institution to Government House gates. The B.D.F.A. will attach eight mounted men to the Artillery and Infantry moving from Pitt and George streets to Macquarie-street in order to lead and clear their advance. Intervals: Two paces between files throughout. "B" and "C" batteries B.D.F.A. will form inwards opposite the Treasury. On the arrival of his Excellency in front of respective bands they will play the first six bars of the National Anthem. As his Excellency approaches, regiments will come to the "present," by order of officers commanding regiments, remaining at the "present" until directed to come to the "order," when his Excellency reaches the next regiment. (Pending the arrival of the procession the various bands will play from their respective positions for the benefit of the public.) The following detail will take part in the Vice-regal procession:—Officers, head quarter staff and such officers as may be specially attached. No. 1 (Sydney-Parramatta) squadron, N.S.W. Lancers. "A" Battery, B.D.F.A. (mounted). A guard of honour, consisting of 1 captain, 2 subalterns, 5 sergeants, and 100 rank and file of the 1st Garrison Division Artillery, with the band, will be formed up by 2.30 p.m. at the intersection of Loftus-street and the Quay, to receive his Excellency on landing. This guard and band to subsequently proceed to Government House. A salute of 17 guns will be fired from Dawes' Battery when his Excellency lands, and a similar salute immediately after the oaths of office have been administered. O.C. Arty. to arrange for necessary signals. Sketch plans of the formation of the troops upon the line of route and in the Vice-regal procession will be issued to commanding officers. After the procession has passed each regiment and corps lining the streets will form up and march to private parades and be dismissed. The parade will count as a half-day for pay and efficiency. Field states will be required from each regiment and corps, showing the total present, in three columns only—(1) Officers; (2) non-commissioned officers and men; (3) total. Detailed states showing the different ranks, &c., to be forwarded subsequently to the A.A.G. in the usual way. Colonel Taunton, Lieutenant-Colonel Bayly, and Major Boam will act as staff officers of the troops lining the streets, supervising as follows:—Major Boam, Exchange to Town Hall; Lieutenant-Colonel Bayly, Town Hall to St. Mary's Cathedral; Colonel Taunton, St. Mary's to Government House gates. The Lancers will attach two orderlies to each of these officers.

MESSAGE TO THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Frederick M. Darley, yesterday received a telegraphic message from Earl Beauchamp, the Governor-elect of New South Wales, announcing his arrival at Albany. Lord Beauchamp intimated that he and his suite were in good health.

TASMANIA.

HOBART, Wednesday.

Captain Miles was sworn in to-day as Minister for Lands, Works, and Mines, and also as a member of the Executive Council.

The Agent-General has communicated with Messrs. Dobson, Mitchell, and Allport, of this city, solicitors to the Great Western Railway, to draft a bill for restoring the lapsed concession. The Premier will push the bill expeditiously.

The death is announced of the Rev. John Nisbet, for many years Congregational minister at Newtown, aged 84. He had been a resident of Tasmania for over 50 years.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

Messrs. A. H. Turnbull and Co., Christchurch, and William Weddell and Co., London, have purchased the Auckland Meat Freezing Company's works and plant for £22,500.

The Belk's Patent Rights Company has received an offer to raise the wrecked steamer Tasmania with a patent appliance belonging to the company for £2000. The work is to be carried out within a month.

THE LOSS OF THE LOCH SLOY.

FURTHER DETAILS OF THE DISASTER.

HOW THE VESSEL WENT ASHORE.

CONDITION OF THE SURVIVORS.

THE MISSING PASSENGER, KILPATRICK.

DISCOVERY OF THE WRECK.

BOWSPRIT 200 YARDS FROM THE CLIFF.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Anxious inquiries were made this morning concerning the fate of the missing passenger Kilpatrick, one of the survivors from the wreck of the Loch Sloy. A correspondent telegraphed from Cape Borda early in the morning that the tug Euro had taken the seaman Mitchell and the apprentice Simpson on board, and had started round the coast, and he also gave, as nearly as possible, the names of the lost. The agents of the vessel and the underwriters are anxiously awaiting news concerning the condition of the wreck, and the chances of effecting any salvage of the valuable cargo. Splendid service was rendered by the lighthouse staff at Cape Borda. The task set the second lightkeeper was no easy one. He had to make his way on foot through heavily timbered, rugged country for a distance of about 30 miles to where it was supposed the survivors would be found. He could not carry sufficient provisions with him to last until his return and also to relieve the sufferers, so his pack had to include snares and other appliances. An idea of the roughness of the journey may be gathered from the fact that a month or two ago, when the members of the Marine Board were at Cape Borda, the president expressed a wish to see this terrible south coast. The keepers indicated their willingness to act as guides, but plainly told the members of the board that an early start would need to be made, that provisions would have to be carried, and that a tramp on foot would ruin the clothes of the party, besides tiring them terribly. Under the circumstances the projected exploration was abandoned. The president and wardens knew enough of the coastline to enable them to appreciate the action of the second keeper in at once setting out alone on such a hazardous trip. Accordingly this morning the president telegraphed to the lighthouse staff at Cape Borda an expression of the thanks of the board and their congratulations on the part of the Marine Board.

Early this morning all hands were moving at Cape Borda. The head keeper intended taking Mitchell and Simpson to Harvey's Return at sunrise to meet the tug Euro, with Captains Creswell and Clare aboard. Both survivors looked greatly refreshed after their good night's rest, although the marks of the journey were still very visible, Mitchell being considerably more knocked about than his companion. A full outfit has been provided for both. It was with some difficulty that they were able to descend the steep hill at Harvey's Return. Simpson is from Mull, Argyleshire, Scotland. He was 16 years of age on March 25. He has a father and stepmother living at Mull. This was his first trip to sea. He shipped as an apprentice. He has a countenance full of determination, although so young, and appears to be a very intellectual lad. He describes Kilpatrick, the passenger, as an amateur swimmer, who had received medals in Scotland, and said the statement that he was not able to swim was an error. He was travelling for the benefit of his health. One side of his face was paralysed, but the sea voyage entirely cured this. Kilpatrick is about 25 years of age. Mitchell shows the effect of the hardships more than Simpson. Simpson describes the crew and passengers thus: Ten able seamen, two ordinary seamen, two stewards, four officers, five apprentices, seven passengers, cook, carpenter, and sailmaker, and a "boy," Paddy. He gives the names of some of the missing ones, but is not quite sure that the spelling is correct in all cases. The officers are:—Captain Nicol; James Macmillan, first mate; Tweedle, second mate; Tom Cleland, third mate. Crew—Harding, Brown, Buchanan, Cleland, Mosbourne, Calcut, Terry, Finlayson, Martinordy, Smith, Holson, Blonwosty, "Paddy." Passengers—Saloon, Captain and Mrs. Lester, and Mrs. Cattleridge, whom Simpson describes as an admirable woman; second cabin, Messrs. Lamb, M'Donald, Logan, and Kilpatrick, the last named having landed on the island. Both seamen describe the passage as perfect from leaving Glasgow. Most of the passengers made the trip for their health. They sighted no land after leaving the United Kingdom until the fatal sight of Kangaroo Island, but spoke to several vessels on the way out. Everything was going perfectly when suddenly the land of Kangaroo Island was seen close to the right. The captain strove with all his power and with might and main to run his ship out, but it was all in vain. All efforts were futile, and at 5.5 a.m. came the terrible crash. The Loch Sloy had run upon a rock, which held her with a vice-like grip. The waves came thundering on board, and in a few minutes a fearful hole was knocked in the vessel's bottom, and unfortunately she fell seawards. The masts were towards the sea, and the bottom and side towards the land. Mitchell said: "It is impossible to conceive the enormous sea that was running. It was not blowing a gale at the time, the wind being S.W.; but the cruel sea which was running was awful to behold." All the passengers were asleep below, and Mitchell and Simpson were also asleep, being off duty. Simpson was asleep in the poop. There was no excitement on the ship. Everybody was calm and collected. The ladies, the captain, Mr. Leicester, and Simpson climbed the masts. Almost everyone had lifebuoys on. Mitchell jumped from the side towards the land. Three minutes before leaving the ship he saw the captain on board sticking to his post. No one of the survivors can tell how they reached the shore. The mast which Simpson was clinging to fell into the sea, but he was uninjured.

Mitchell thus describes his swim ashore: "I was clinging to a barrel and saw great waves rising behind me strewed with debris. At one time I would go a little under water and would see and feel timber just gliding by. The rock we were thrown on seemed the only place possible which anybody could reach. It was a kind of shelf just out from a rock. The ship struck about half a mile from land, and rose a little with each wave until she was completely covered by huge waves. The cargo consisted chiefly of gunpowder, whisky, and cornflour. The gunpowder caught alight in the water. It was a difficult and hazardous climb for the survivors to reach the top of the rocks, as they were almost perpendicular. From the place where they were thrown we sailors got to the top, and had to leave Kilpatrick down on the shelf." Mitchell said further that he found some water, and supplied others. During the next two days the survivors hunted everywhere for assistance. For three days Kilpatrick was left on the shelf. He was unable to get up, but after some trouble the others managed to pull him to the top. It was then agreed that M'Millan should go out and try to secure assistance. Kilpatrick gave him big boots and a coat. As M'Millan did not return in three days the remainder made for Cape Borda. They saw a steamer and a barque passing close inward, and knew from that that a lighthouse must be somewhere in this direction. On the way here they ate only pigfaces and roots of shrubs, and had a little water for the greater part of the journey. They saw the reflection of the lighthouse the night before they were rescued. They state that they saw no dead bodies floating about. Kilpatrick only went about two or three miles from the wreck, and would not leave water. He tried to come on, but only got about 30 yards, and then fell to the ground, so they were obliged to leave him there with water close at hand. Captain Lester was on a holiday trip, and intended returning home via China, he and his wife buying a yacht of their own.

The survivors have now left to join the Euro. The second keeper and George May are out searching for Kilpatrick.

The insurances effected on the cargo, as far as can be ascertained, are:—Victoria, £300; National of New Zealand, £133; Canton, £122; Thames and Mersey, £100; and the China Traders, £2800, but this last sum is largely reinsured. A relief fund has been opened by the "Register," and is already being liberally subscribed to.

Later.

About 4 o'clock the Chief Secretary received the following telegram from Captain Creswell at Cape Borda:—"Found wreck about three miles and a half north of Cape Couedic. Her bowsprit is only about 200 yards from the cliffs. The vessel went to pieces in the breakers. No boats escaped. The two survivors are now on board the Euro. They state that only four men reached the land. From the position of the wreck it is not possible that any survivors reached the south coast. I returned to Cape Borda to advise the searchers of the exact position and look for missing man."

The special reporter of the "Adelaide Register," on board the Euro, telegraphed from Cape Borda on Monday afternoon that after leaving Kingscote on Monday night the Euro steamed at dead slow for Harvey's Return, where the two shipwrecked men discovered by Smith, the second lighthouse-keeper, were awaiting us. We anchored off Little Bay at 6.40 a.m., and for once in a while the landing-place was found easily negotiable. The vessel steamed in under the guidance of Captain Clare, who knows the treacherous coast thoroughly, and anchored within a quarter of a mile of the beach. Presently we saw the men coming out of a cottage on the top of a hill, and slowly descend to the shore. A boat manned by Captain Clare and Petty-officers Winchester and Sutherland put off, and they were closely followed by the lifeboat of the Euro, in case assistance should be needed. A landing, however, was effected by Captain Clare without much difficulty, and the two survivors embarked without delay. A few minutes later they were clambering over the side of the Euro, and were welcomed by hearty congratulations from those on board. The two men were William Mitchell, an A.B., and William John Simpson, an apprentice, 16 years of age. The poor fellows seemed in a pitiable condition, and bore traces of the rough treatment received, first at the hands of the angry waves, and later in their struggles to reach civilisation. The first words uttered by Mitchell on reaching the Euro's deck were, "I thank God I am here. I have had a terrible time." Captain Creswell put a few questions to him and grasped the main facts of the casualty, and then thoughtfully sent him below for breakfast. The apprentice Simpson was scarcely able to get about by himself, being much fatigued by his journey along the coast barefooted. The men had lived on what they could pick up, and this consisted mainly of dead penguins found on the beach, grasses, and shellfish. Fortunately the gullies and ravines were plentifully supplied with water, and they did not suffer from the agonies of thirst in addition to those of hunger.

An hour's stay at Harvey's Return sufficed for all that was required without further delay. We up anchor and pushed along the coast in search of the wreck. The weather was again fine, but after rounding Cape Borda an ocean swell was met, but there was little or no wind. The two survivors were asked if they could point out the spot where the Loch Sloy went ashore, and both were firmly convinced of their ability to do so. When we were off Cape Bedout Mitchell pointed out some cliffs indented with caves as the place where the vessel had gone down. Every glass and binocular on board was levelled at the line of rugged reefs and cliffs, but not a vestige of either vessel or wreckage could be discovered among the turbulent breakers, which all along the coastline were fuming and foaming in the most awful manner, though the sea was comparatively smooth. Some doubt was, therefore, expressed as to the accuracy of Mitchell's location, particularly as he had previously stated that the vessel struck an outlying reef some 600 yards distant from the shore. There was not the slightest indication of any such reef here, but, on the contrary, every appearance of deep water to within a few yards of the cliffs. At last Simpson, who had been scanning carefully, decided that Mitchell was wrong, and he informed Captain Creswell that in his opinion the accident had occurred further south. Accordingly the steamer was got under weigh again, and we ran into Maupertius Bay, which lies between Cape Rodont on the north and Cape Couedie on the south. Just midway between those two headlands, the first indication of the presence of a wreck was observed. Almost everyone on board was now anxiously on the lookout. Simpson was called up on the bridge, and from this point of vantage he was able to indicate pretty clearly where he thought the wreck had taken place. His calculations proved to be correct, for almost immediately afterwards some wreckage could be seen upon a patch of sandy beach, rising above which is a sandy hill, sloping away to a considerable height. South of this sandhill extends an unbroken line of relentless-looking cliffs, and it was close under these that Captain Creer first caught sight of the wreck. "There she is," he shouted, and all eyes were immediately turned in the direction indicated. At first the naked eye could scarcely discern anything in the shape of wreck; but presently a small object in the water assumed a definite shape, and then the outline of a jibboom could be distinctly identified. Every attention was directed both seaward and towards the shore for signs of either bodies or cargo; but excepting one piece of what appeared to be a seaman's sea chest nothing was observed. The bowsprit of the illfated vessel was just visible above the surface of the water, and at times when the ocean swell had passed over the spot remnants of waste could be distinguished. Further than that, however, nothing remained to indicate the existence of a great maritime catastrophe.

The wreck appeared from the Euro to be within 200 or 300 yards of the cliffs, which at this part rise abruptly to a height of about 80ft. to 100ft., and then recline in a gentler slope to the summit of the line of hills, ranging about 700ft. high. The line of reef upon which the unfortunate vessel must have foundered extends, as far as could be ascertained, some 300 or 400 yards from the shore in almost a straight line, and apparently the vessel had settled down in deep water inside this line. Bearings taken on board the Euro placed the position as three-quarters of a mile north by east from Cape Conedres and 53 miles in a direct line from Kingscote. The Euro is returning to Port Adelaide immediately.

INTERVIEW WITH A SURVIVOR.

A GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION.

William John Simpson, the apprentice, graphically described his experiences to the representative of the "Herald" on board the Euro. This is his first voyage to sea, and he is, therefore, likely to remember it all his life. Young Simpson said the Loch Sloy left Glasgow in January last in charge of Captain Nicol, the officers being Mr. M'Millan, chief mate, Mr. Tweedale, second mate, and Mr. Cleland, third mate. The crew consisted of five apprentices, 10 A.B.'s, two ordinary seamen, two stewards, cook, carpenter, sailmaker, and a boy whose duties were to generally make himself useful. There were, in addition, seven passengers, of whom Captain and Mrs. Leicester and Mrs. Cartridge were first saloon, and Messrs. Lamb, Logan, and Kirkpatrick, were in the second cabin. "The voyage started inauspiciously," remarked Simpson, "for we were a week off Greenock, and it was another week before we had cleared the English Channel. After leaving the channel we sighted no land until we came across Kangaroo Island. During the voyage fair weather was experienced, light winds being general throughout. Kangaroo Island hove in sight at 5 o'clock on the morning of April 24. All sails were set, including the royals, and the wind rose right aft from the south-west. We had been expecting to see Cape Borda Lighthouse. At the time of the accident an A.B. was at the wheel during the mate's watch on deck. About five minutes before the ship struck land was not visible, and the crew was just going to partake of coffee on deck when the lookout reported land ahead. The mate immediately gave orders to stand by the braces, and the helm was ported. The captain in the meantime had come on deck, and all hands were ordered to lend a hand to bout ship. The mainyards were swung round, and the foreyards were being hauled round when the vessel struck the reef about 600 yards from the shore. All hands by that time were on deck, the passengers included. The ship bumped heavily, and before there was time to look round she was among the breakers which swept clean over her, carrying away everything moveable. Everybody struggled for the rigging, three passengers, including two ladies, the captain, the three mates, the sailmaker, three seamen, and three apprentices, including myself, climbed to the mizzentop. Some sought refuge on the mainmast and others on the foremast. Within two or three minutes of striking the mainmast fell with a thundering crash over the weather side, carrying with it those who were on it. From our position on the mizzen we could see the ship breaking up fast, and shortly after the fall of the mainmast the foremast also carried away and toppled over on the lee side. About 20 minutes after the actual grounding the mizzen followed, and everything was over. I had seized a lifebelt and had this on when I was cast overboard. I remember nothing until finding myself floating among wreckage, some of which I clung to, and by means of which eventually I reached the rocks. There I found Mitchell and M'Millan and Kilpatrick. We picked up a case of whisky and a few tins of herrings, and from these we were able to make a meal. We found ourselves in a sort of cave, but succeeded in reaching the summit of the cliff. Kilpatrick, who was suffering severely from the effects of the sea, alone remaining, and Mitchell and I then set out in search of settlers. We walked several miles without success, and spent the night under some bushes. The following day M'Millan and Mitchell went in search of water, while I stayed behind with Kilpatrick. M'Millan returned with news of the discovery of water, and left again for an additional supply, but he never came back again. On the 27th I managed to help Kilpatrick to the cliffs, and after wandering about for some time Mitchell found us and piloted us to a place where water had been found. We three then stayed in the same spot for one or two nights. We came to a gully where a plentiful supply of water was to be obtained. We remained there one night, and next day Mitchell and I proceeded along the coast, leaving Kilpatrick too exhausted to move further until we could bring him assistance. We left him two bottles of whisky. He was not then delirious. We continued to walk along the coast until we reached Cape Borda lighthouse. Mr. Smith, the second keeper, met us three or four miles from the light station. We were then in a most exhausted condition. We subsisted upon grass, dead penguins washed ashore in the breakers, and shellfish. We suffered terribly through insufficiency of clothes, and walking barefooted made matters a great deal worse. We were carefully attended by the lightkeepers. I never saw any bodies on the beach; and all that could be seen of the wreck the following day was the jibboom.

THE LOCH LINE AND THE LATE MASTER OF THE SHIP.

More was heard of lost Loch line ships yesterday, supplementing the report published in the "Herald." It seems that the Loch Maree loaded for London, sailed, and was never afterwards heard from. And in connection with her disappearance it is narrated how "Tom Pearce," the hero at the wreck of the Loch Ard, shipped home in the Maree and went down with her. Of Pearce the same informant states that he served his apprenticeship in the Eliza Ramsden, then sailing to Australia, next he joined the "Lochs," shipping in the Loch Sunart, in which he was shipwrecked, afterwards joining the Loch Ard, and was the only male survivor at the wreck of that ship, when, in saving Miss Carmichael, he displayed conspicuous gallantry. His fourth and last voyage was in the ill-fated Loch Maree. He was a son of Captain Pearse, for many years in command of the old steamer Gothenburg. Another lost Loch ship was the Loch Fyne, which left Melbourne for London, and, like the Maree, was never heard of. The supposition at the time concerning the non-arrival of these two ships was that they had foundered in collision with ice. In connection with the wreck of the Loch Moidart, mentioned in yesterday's "Herald," it appears that that fine four-master was lost off the coast of Belgium with all hands, including the master, Captain Andrews, who has relatives in Sydney.

Inquiries were made locally as to the late Captain Nicol, of the Loch Sloy, and it was ascertained that he for a number of years commanded ships in the "Firth Line" prior to joining the Loch Sloy. This was his first voyage in the Loch Sloy, but he was intimately known to many Sydney friends. His last visit to this port was as master of the Firth of Dornoch, and upon several occasions during his visits to the colonies he had Mrs. Nicol with him. The news of the terrible wreck proved a great shock to her numerous Sydney friends, as it did to Captain Nicol's, for he was much esteemed as a careful, quiet, unassuming shipmaster in shipping circles here.

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FEDERATION.

PROGRESS OF THE CAMPAIGN.

MEETINGS IN THE SUBURBS.

THE WORK OF ORGANISATION.

The Premier (Mr. G. H. Reid) has arranged to deliver addresses in support of the amended Commonwealth Constitution Bill at the following places:—Gundagai, at 10.30 a.m. on the 16th instant; the Gibraltar mine, at 3 p.m.; and Adelong, 8 p.m. on same date; Tumut, at 11.30 on the 17th. He will arrive in Sydney at 6 a.m. on the 18th.

The accounts which are being received from some of the inland districts relative to the effects of the drought are of such a nature that the United Federal Executive has resolved to leave no stone unturned in the way of securing the establishment of organisations in the districts concerned, lest failure on the part of some of the electors to record their votes should result in the defeat of the bill. It is feared that in some of the Riverina districts the feeling is so strongly in favour of the bill that some federalists may be lulled into a feeling of false security, and then, instead of the majority which it is desired to secure being forthcoming, there might be a failure to obtain any majority at all. This is the lesson which the executive is having enforced in all the country districts, and more especially in those portions of the colony where the people have suffered so disastrously from successive droughts. Taking the district of Hay, for instance, the executive has been informed that there is not a sheep within a radius of 20 miles of that town that is not being hand-fed. This will suggest the nature of the difficulties which people in those districts experience in getting from place to place. It is said that some electors desirous of recording their votes will of necessity have to travel five or six miles before they will be able to do so, and in some cases the distance to be traversed will be at least 10 miles; and with a view to counterbalancing the effect produced by federalists who may not vote on Referendum Day the organisations brought into existence to promote the federal cause will do their utmost to ensure as heavy a poll as possible.

The Federalists' Executive intend to employ every legitimate aid in the prosecution of the campaign, and will not despise as a means of stimulating the patriotism of the people such trifles as badges and emblems. Already there have been received some designs which are highly effective. One of these, which is painted in colours, is in the form of a shield. This is quartered by the Southern Cross. Conspicuously placed is the Union Jack, and there are as mottoes "Advance Australia," "One People One Destiny," "One Flag." Federalists are not ashamed of either their faith or their colours, and it is proposed to follow a custom which was adopted 12 months ago by wearing some badge. Two excellent specimens have been sent to the executive, either of which it is believed all federalists would feel some pride in wearing. One of these is of a gold colour, while the other is made of silver. In each case the badge is a six-pointed star. Within the points is a circular ribbon bearing a motto. The central portion of the design consists of a map of Australia. Attached to the badge is a pin and ribbon of the national colours.

Mr. Barton and Mr. Deakin left Sydney for Brisbane last evening.

Mr. Cook, Minister for Mines, is now in his electorate advocating the adoption of the bill. The southern coal districts will next receive a visit from Mr. Cook, who will later on go to Newcastle.

Mr. Carruthers will address meetings—at Petersham on Monday next, and at Waverley the following Wednesday.

Mr. R. E. O'Connor and Mr. J. H. Young will speak at Chatswood on Saturday night.

Mr. Millen, M.L.A., is now at work in his district advocating the federal cause.

Mr. Wise is, we are informed, in receipt daily of requests to address meetings in the country, but owing to professional engagements necessitating his presence in Sydney he has been obliged to decline all invitations to speak outside of Sydney except on Saturday evenings. Arrangements have been made for Mr. Wise to address meetings on successive Saturdays at Newcastle, Nowra, and Bathurst.

The secretary to the Colonists' Anti-Convention Bill League informs us that Mr. Holman, M.L.A., who has just returned from a tour through the western districts, reports having formed anti-bill leagues at Carcoar, Cowra, Grenfell, Bimbi, Wyalong, Wyalong West, Barmedman, and Cootamundra. He says that he finds the prevailing feeling to be one of much greater indifference, as far as the bill is concerned, than was the case last year. There is no visible enthusiasm for the bill. He states that all his meetings were highly successful, being well attended, attentive, and practically unanimous. He also says that doubtless the cry of "city versus the country" will be raised everywhere, it being part of the policy of the bill people to endeavour to arouse a feeling against Sydney.

We are informed by the secretary to the Colonists' Anti-Convention Bill League that a Sydney gentleman, prominently associated in commercial circles, who has just returned from a visit to Melbourne, endeavoured while in the Victorian capital to gain some idea as to the true feeling of the Melbourne people in regard to the federal question. A representative Melbourne man said in the course of conversation:—"Our sincere hope is that this bill will pass, because there is nothing else for Victoria but federation, but it is my individual opinion that the people of New South Wales will hardly be such fools as to vote for this bill."

We have been authorised by the secretary to the Anti-Bill League to say that in no case will any member of Parliament who is advocating the rejection of the bill by the people receive from the funds of the league any remuneration for his services. A report which had got into circulation to the contrary is, we are informed, not correct.

In reference to the statement made by "Yes" in the notes on the federation campaign that "the 'Chinese Herald' has thrown its advocacy on the side of the anti-bill party. It is understood that the constitution does not commend itself to the advanced democratic views of the Chinese," the associate editor of that journal writes to say that "the 'Chinese Australian Herald' is in favour of the federation of the Australian colonies, believing that with true nationhood will come the sentiment of justice and brotherliness."

THE HON. ALFRED DEAKIN.

HIS VIEWS OF FEDERATION.

SOME ASPECTS OF THE PROPOSED COMMONWEALTH.

"A NEW ERA OF PROSPERITY."

The Hon. Alfred Deakin, M.L.A., of Victoria, has been closely identified with the federal movement since the Federal Council was first established. Besides the portfolios which he has held in Victorian Cabinets, he was senior representative at the Imperial Conference of 1887, a member of the Federal Council in 1889, 1895, and 1897, also a member of the Federation Conference held in Melbourne in 1890, a delegate to the 1891 Convention, and he was also a representative of Victoria at the Federal Convention of 1897. Some time ago he was invited to visit Queensland and deliver addresses on federation, and in order to accomplish that mission he arrived in Sydney yesterday morning by the Melbourne express and left for Brisbane in the evening by the mail train. On his arrival at Redfern Mr. Deakin was officially welcomed by Mr. Edward Dowling, one of the secretaries of the United Federal Executive Committee. Mr. B. R. Wise, M.L.A., was also present. Subsequently Mr. Deakin was interviewed by a "Herald" reporter at the Athenæum Club. He said federal matters were quiescent in Victoria. The people there were watching the progress of events in New South Wales and the approaching opening of some kind of campaign in Queensland. He thought that, on the whole, the amendments which had been made to the Commonwealth Bill at the Premiers' Conference were acceptable to Victoria, although there were a good many people across the border who considered that the original bill was better than the measure as amended; but many of the ultra-liberals who opposed the bill on the last occasion would vote for it now. Mr. Deakin was very careful not to say anything that would trench upon local politics, nor anything that would touch upon the provincial aspects of the federal movement. He thought the people in each colony could best decide for themselves within their own borders. That was why he had somewhat reluctantly accepted the invitation to go to Queensland. But he could not have refused it unless he had wished to be discourteous. "The people of New South Wales," he said, "certainly do not require the aid of anyone outside to enable them to understand the bill. In Queensland, however, the question has not practically been before the Parliament, nor the people. They are just about to begin. Consequently my visit will be made there before the people have committed themselves, and it will be made more in the nature of an introduction to the subject by explaining its present position. Personally, I have no desire to even suggest to the Queenslanders the line of policy they should follow."

"Has any bitterness which has been imported into the controversy created ill-feeling in Victoria?"

"We know that we have been referred to with many epithets which at the first thought might be said not to create good feeling, but we understand that those epithets are used purely for party purposes, and we take them for what they are worth. I realise the independence of all the colonies, and I do not see that we had any reason to complain."

There were plenty of people in Victoria, Mr. Deakin explained, who were not enthusiastic regarding federation. They thought it was desirable in the abstract, but they considered that under the present proposals they would have to pay too much for it. There were great interests in Victoria which they were of opinion would be prejudicially affected by the existence of intercolonial freetrade, and there were others who under the proposed scheme of taxation thought they would have to make up more than they calculated to be their share. Of course, Victoria was not peculiar in this respect. In every colony there was a party which considered its particular interests had not been sufficiently conserved.

"Is there any justification for the fear that the federal revenue will have to be an exceedingly large one?"

"I say, first of all, that, as is the case with all estimates, it is guesswork, and some of the high estimates which have been made appear to me to be extremely wide of the mark. If I were asked to give an estimate of my own I would do so with the greatest diffidence, because the changing conditions of Australia and the revenue-producing power of the individual colonies from year to year present considerable variations. Then any estimate is an attempt to forecast the action of the representatives of the people of Australia or of such colonies as join the union without the means of acquiring information which they will possess, and without the knowledge of the policy or the particular line of policy which in matters of finance will commend itself to their judgment. All who prophesy what the expenditure will be must admit that they are bridging by conjecture these two gulfs. I see no reason for believing that the electors voting for the national Parliament will return men whose views on these matters would greatly differ from those of the members of the existing Parliaments. There will be the same insistence upon economy wherever economy is possible, and the same endeavour to distribute fairly as at present whatever burdens had to be borne. Consequently though my views are not always those of the majority of my own colony, I recognise that the accepted policy in regard to expenditure is well meant, and can be defended by cogent argument. I anticipate exactly the same position under a Federal Parliament. Its members might not take the view which I as an elector would wish them to take, but they would at least pass estimates and make provision for them on principles approved by those who had sent them there. I have no fear of any undue extravagance or any exceptional unfairness in the imposition of taxation in the Federal Parliament. Not that this will not occur occasionally, as it does in most of the colonies, but that it will be invariably remedied by the good sense of the people and by the healthy desire of their representatives to associate themselves with the beneficial administration of the public funds."

"In the Commonwealth do you look forward to combinations of the smaller colonies against the large?"

"In my opinion such combinations would occur very rarely and only on minor questions. The Parliament of the Commonwealth, like every other Parliament, will from the outset be divided into two parties—the Conservatives and the Liberals, as they are generally termed. These parties will be represented in every colony, and they will endeavour to carry constituencies without regard to the colonies in which they are located. It appears to me, therefore, that the smaller colonies will be divided, and they will follow party lines just as the larger colonies do now, and just as the States of the American union are fought at every election. In answering your question I feel some difficulty, because I notice that the term 'smaller colonies' is sometimes held to include Victoria because its area is small, and at other times, and for another argument, Victoria and New South Wales are put together as the larger colonies because they have the largest population. When I refer to the smaller colonies I mean those that are less populous. The larger colonies—New South Wales, Victoria, and, before long, Queensland—will always return not only the bulk of the representatives but the bulk of the liberal party. In my opinion, after the fiscal question has been dealt with, there will be a complete fusion of the liberals of these colonies and of those of their less populous neighbours. If I could believe that such combinations were possible I might well be apprehensive of Victoria, already outstripped in population by New South Wales, and with a geographical area which will limit the rate of its increase of voters. Having a small minority of representatives in both Houses we would be open to be pillaged by our neighbours to their hearts' content. Need I add that we have confidence enough in our fellow Australians to regard such a contingency as impossible and unthinkable."

Mr. Deakin, in answer to a question, pointed out the improved condition of affairs which had taken place in Victoria, and summed up by saying that "the financial position in his colony was distinctly better than it had been for the last 10 years—healthier and more elastic."

"And as regards the other colonies?"

"Of course," he replied, "I have not the same intimate knowledge of their affairs as I possess of those of Victoria. It is needless for me to say anything about your own colony. But I observe in all the colonies except Western Australia—which, by the way, seems inclined to stand out of the federation for some years, if I might judge by the advices I receive from that colony—in the other colonies, notably Queensland and Tasmania, their public revenue is giving gratifying signs of increasing prosperity. I am inclined to believe that with the rise in our staple products which has recently occurred, we are on the eve, with fair seasons, of a new era of good times for the whole of Australia. Under these circumstances, and believing as I do that commercial union under a Federal Government would stimulate production in every part of the continent and permit of economies in provincial administration, if the two can be concurrent—that is to say, the federal union and the era of good prices—I feel confident that not only would the expenditure of the Federal Government not be missed, but that it would have from the inception an overflowing treasury, which would for the time relieve it of any necessity for increasing the burdens of the people."

MESSRS. BARTON AND DEAKIN IN NEWCASTLE.

ACCORDED A FLATTERING OVATION.

IMPROMPTU ADDRESSES.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

Mr. Edmund Barton and Mr. Alfred Deakin, M.L.A. (Victoria), passed through Newcastle tonight by the northern express on their way to Brisbane. An immense gathering of citizens assembled on the railway platform, and as the train steamed into the station shortly before 10 o'clock to-night hearty cheers were given for the federal leader. Among those who received the visitors were the Mayor of Newcastle (Alderman Alfred Timbury), Mr. Stewart Keightley (president of the Newcastle District United Federal League), Mr. Joseph Wood, Dr. Hester, Dr. Eames, Alderman J. M. Hyde, and the officers and committee of the Newcastle Federal League. Mr. Barton was taken by surprise when he discovered that arrangements had been made for him to address a few words to the citizens of Newcastle from the balcony of the Metropolitan Hotel, and, notwithstanding the fact that the express was timed to leave within 20 minutes of arrival, he readily consented to deliver a brief speech. The chair was occupied by Mr. Stewart Keightley, president of the Federal League, and the gathering was a large one, especially when it is remembered that that meeting had not been announced. The proceedings, which necessarily did not exceed a quarter of an hour in duration, were characterised by intense enthusiasm.

Mr. Barton, who upon appearing on the balcony was greeted with loud and prolonged cheering, said: I am always glad to address the people of Newcastle, because I always find that at your meetings you do not descend to the tactics which some people employ in order to drown the voice of truth and reason. (Applause.) I cannot address you for more than a few minutes, for the reason that I have to go on by this train. Mr. Deakin, of Victoria, and myself have been invited to attend a federal demonstration at the Exhibition Building, Brisbane, and we are now on our way to fulfil that engagement. I believe that the result of our visit there will be to give the lie to those who have asserted that Queensland is not ready to come into the federal union. (Loud applause.) I think you will find that Queensland will come into this federation with alacrity, and you will find, too, how specious that device was by which the enemy attempted to put an amendment into the Enabling Bill in order to make the inclusion of Queensland a condition to the acceptance of federation by New South Wales. (Cheers.) They wanted to put that into the bill because they thought that Queensland would not join the federation, and therefore that if they made Queensland the arbiter of our destinies Queensland would put us and federation on one side. They will find out that they are bitterly mistaken; in fact, they have found it out already—(cheers)—and now they see that Queensland is coming in. What they are going to do through their chief spokesman, Dr. MacLaurin, is to try to make out that with Queensland in the federation the scheme of union will be too costly to us. (Laughter and cheers.) You see how perfectly honest all their devices are. (Renewed laughter.) But all their devices and the results of their devices are soon coming to an end, and June 20 next will settle their anti-federal hash. (Loud applause.) In every part of Sydney and suburbs where our speakers have addressed meetings we find that the feeling in favour of federation is as strong as ever. Those who try to raise a jealous and selfish feeling in Sydney and to appeal to greed and passion will find that their trick has utterly failed. The citizens of Sydney and the residents of the suburbs are as strongly in favour of federation to-day as you yourselves will be on June 20 next. (Cheers.)

Mr. Deakin, M.L.A., also spoke.

MR. M'LAUGHLIN, M.L.A., and ALDERMAN W. CARTER AT WAVERLEY.

A VOTE FOR FEDERATION.

Last evening Mr. John M'Laughlin, M.L.A., and Alderman W. Carter addressed a well-attended meeting of the electorate of Waverley from the balcony of Gillies's Hotel, Charing Cross. The meeting was held under the auspices of the local branch of the Anti-Bill League. The audience numbered about 100, including several ladies.

Mr. John M'Ivor presided in the unavoidable absence of Mr. T. H. Barlow, J.P. Alderman W. Wynne (Mayor), Alderman H. C. Evans, J.P., Mr. W. Smythe, and others were also on the platform.

Mr. M'Laughlin, who was well received, said since the year 1891, when an attempt was made to obtain federation, he had watched the cause very closely. He did not desire to severely criticise any of those gentlemen who had changed their views since the last referendum day. The one who had done more than any other to stifle federation in New South Wales was the present Premier. The bill upon which they had voted was rushed and boomed by him even before it was printed. In referring to the Premiers' Conference, the speaker asked if Mr. Reid intended to do anything in the interest of the people of New South Wales. Why did he see that the conference was a secret one and the press excluded? He did all he could to see that the public did not know what they were doing. In referring to the constitution of the Federal Parliament, he considered the expense of federation was unnecessary, and altogether too oppressive for the electors of New South Wales. Mr. M'Laughlin referred to the necessity for the electors of Waverley watching their own interests. He had spoken on that platform in June last with their member (Mr. Jessep), and no one could have spoken more strongly against the bill than Mr. Jessep, who was elected as a strong opponent against Colonel Onslow, who was a federationist at any price. (A voice: "Waverley voted for the bill by a majority of 21 votes.") Then again, Mr. John Garland was nominated for Woollahra at the instance of Mr. John Want, who assured the electors of Woollahra that he was a strong opponent of the bill, and that the matter would be quite safe in his return. Now what did they find? Both of these gentlemen were strongly supporting the present bill. (A voice: "And you'll be with them soon.") He wanted to do the best he could for the people of New South Wales. He presumed some of the good things were open to him, if he desired them. In concluding a lengthy address, the speaker said we had the freest constitution in the world, and he wished them to seriously consider the bill before voting in its favour on June 20. ("Hear, hear," and applause.)

Alderman W. Carter said he was present to show his active sympathy in the work of the Anti-Bill League in opposing the secret conference bill. He agreed with the previous speaker in the fact that we now had the freest constitution in the world, and he could not see for himself what advantage could be gained by voting for the present amended bill on June 20 next.

The chairman, having briefly spoken, called for a vote against the bill, in response to which four hands only were held up, the remainder voting in favour of the bill, which was followed by three cheers for federation.

On the motion of Mr. M'Laughlin a vote of thanks to the chairman was passed, and the proceedings closed.

MESSRS. HOLMAN AND CLARK AT NEUTRAL BAY.

Messrs. W. A. Holman and E. M. Clark, Ms.L.A., addressed a meeting of electors last evening in the Neutral Bay School of Arts in opposition to the amended Constitution Bill. Alderman Euncver occupied the chair and briefly introduced the speakers.

Mr. W. A. Holman (who met with a good reception) was the first to speak. He prefaced his remarks by saying he was entirely in sympathy with the remark of the chairman that the question on which they were called upon to vote was of a most momentous character. There was a tendency on the part of many to enter federation with a light heart, regarding it as a matter on the same footing as questions raised in their local parliaments, and which could be got rid of if found unworkable. There were thousands who were voting for the measure because they considered the conditions under which they lived could not be worse and might be better. If they voted in that way they would only realise their position when it was too late. They should consider the measure in all its bearings and details, deeply and well, before accepting a scheme of indissoluble union. Once they entered into the union there would be no way of getting out of it save by bloodshed. The bill furnished material for lengthy addresses on any one of its clauses, but the public mind had been so distracted by the conflicting statements of leading politicians that he declined to add his voice to the warnings and conflictions, which could only end in making confusion worse confounded. If they looked through the bill and found any parts upon which leading statesmen were in accord, then to that extent they would be on solid ground. Mr. Reid during the late general elections had issued an address in which he stated that six vital amendments were necessary before the bill would be acceptable, the two most important of which were the abolition of the Braddon blot and the re-casting of the financial clauses. He also referred to as an essential amendment the alteration of the clauses providing for deadlocks. Mr. Barton had insisted on two amendments, the elimination of the Braddon blot, and the alteration of the deadlock clauses so as to provide for majority rule. Every politician was agreed that the financial clauses of the last bill were bad, and that majority rule was not provided for. They now had an opportunity of testing the present bill, and seeing if the complaints made against the late bill had been removed. He claimed that no alteration had been made in the financial clauses, so on the financial clauses alone the bill stood condemned. There was also no change in the direction of providing for rule by majority. He then dealt exhaustively with the constitution of the two Houses, and in referring to the Senate stated they had been told that democracy was scrupulously observed, but he would remind them that every scheme of tyranny had been introduced under the guise of democratic institutions. As constituted, the Senate would dominate the whole of the politics of Australia. In his opinion it was a scheme by which the representation of the people was confined to a certain class. Even though the bill was calculated to strew eternal benefits on New South Wales, it would not be right to accept it at the expense of democratic government. The bill, however, only meant the heaping of unnecessary taxation upon them. It was his keen conviction the bill was unjust to New South Wales, and opposed to true democracy. The more the bill was looked into the less democratic it appeared. In all essential points the bill was open to the same objections as that of last year. Whilst a genuine scheme of federation would confer undoubted benefits and give all the advantages possible, the scheme before them had been prepared with such haste that they did not even get the benefits for which they bargained. In conclusion, as they valued their personal liberty, he asked them to give the bill most careful study, and record an intelligent and conscientious vote. (Applause.) Having answered several questions, Mr. Holman moved,—"That, while approving of federation on just lines, this meeting disapproves of the present constitutional bill."

Mr. E. M. Clark seconded the motion, and in doing so, seeing the lateness of the hour, confined himself to expressing his opposition to the measure, and briefly stating his objections. The motion, on being put, was declared carried unanimously. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

GLEBE ANTI-BILL LEAGUE.

A meeting of the residents of the Glebe was held last evening at the Record Reign Hall, Glebe, for the purpose of forming a branch of the Anti-Bill League of New South Wales. Mr. L. G. Abrams, J.P., was voted to the chair. There were some 50 gentlemen present, and the meeting was an enthusiastic one.

The chairman said some 12 months ago the residents of the Glebe returned to Parliament a gentleman who then was opposed to the proposed federation scheme as not being in the best interests of New South Wales. That gentleman had changed his opinion, but he (the chairman) had not changed his opinion, and he was glad to see so many present who evidently took the same stand. As a commercial man of some experience he had carefully studied the figures of Dr. MacLaurin, and he could assure the meeting that those figures were if anything underrated. (Applause.) At any rate, it could be safely said that not one of the arguments on finances advanced by the doctor could be challenged as being wrong. (Applause.)

Mr. G. F. R. Burcher moved,—"That in the opinion of this meeting an anti-bill league be now formed in the Glebe." He said at the last election the electors of the Glebe had before them two gentlemen—Mr. Bruce Smith, a strong supporter of the Federation Bill, and Mr. Hogue, an opponent of the measure. The Glebe returned Mr. Hogue by a large majority. Now Mr. Hogue had turned right round, notwithstanding that he had done all in his power, not only in his own electorate, but even to use his influence in other electorates on the same occasion, to prevent the bill being accepted by the people. Mr. Hogue now said the bill was one of the best that could be produced. The fact was there was only one man in the Ministry—that was Mr. Reid. The other members of the Cabinet had to follow and do what they were told. What difference, he asked, was there between the bill of 1898 and the measure now before the people? Well, the only difference as far as this colony was concerned was that if the present bill was adopted—and he did not think it would be—it would be by a simple majority of those who voted. (Applause.) Otherwise the measure was practically the same. He urged upon every elector to cast a vote on one side or the other, and he felt confident that it would be shown that Mr. Reid and his followers were all at sea. (Applause.)

Mr. Nelson seconded the motion. He did not think they were there to discuss the action of Mr. Hogue. (A voice: "Yes, we should let him know.") He was pleased to see so many faces present who opposed the bill on the last occasion, and who evidently had not changed their opinions. (Cheers.)

Mr. Wegg Horne, secretary of the central executive, who was present by invitation, congratulated the electors of the Glebe upon such a large meeting, considering the short notice they had received. It only showed the feeling of the people of this colony in regard to the measure. The central executive had received promises of assistance from the city and suburbs, which exceeded their expectations. He felt confident that with the vote they would receive from the city and surrounding districts, including Newcastle, the bill would be defeated. They had no fear of the country vote. (Applause.) The question of the capital was one of paramount importance to Sydney. The bill simply meant that New South Wales would in the matter of finance have to bolster up three smaller States which in a great measure were insolvent. (Applause.)

Several other gentlemen supported the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The following were elected as office-bearers of the league:—President, Mr. Lewis G. Abrams, J.P.; vice-presidents, Messrs. R. Dickey and N. S. Nelson; hon. secretary, Mr. John D. Pattison. The meeting as a whole formed itself into a committee, with power to add to their number, to carry out the objects of the gathering. Arrangements were then made to conduct a campaign in the electorate in opposition to the bill.

MEETING AT BALMAIN.

A well-attended meeting of the Balmain North Federal Association took place last evening in the council-chambers, Town Hall. The Mayor of Balmain (Alderman Henry Mills, J.P.) presided. One of the secretaries (Mr. Frank W. J. Donovan) of the Balmain North Association intimated that a communication had been forwarded to the Balmain South branch in reference to the joint movement for co-operation to secure the acceptance of the amended Commonwealth Bill by large majorities; but the time had been too limited to receive a reply.

Mr. Peter M'Lachlan, representing the Balmain South branch, though speaking unofficially, said he felt that there would be the utmost unanimity in joining their forces, as they all had a common cause to secure the acceptance of the bill. On behalf of their league he would do his best to consolidate their forces.

Mr. J. D. Mackey, from the same branch, said he concurred in this proposed course of procedure. They were determined in their electorate to secure even a larger majority than they did on the last referendum taken.

Mr. W. C. Macdougall said he thought that perhaps the better course would be to maintain their two separate organisations in both North and South Balmain Electorates. They could then co-operate the one with the other in the large meetings, and do a lot of effective work likewise with their separate existence.

It was then decided on the motion of Mr. A. J. Reynolds,—"That the officers of the association form, with the officers of the Balmain South Association (if that body were agreeable), a joint executive body for the present campaign, with power to add to their number."

The election of office-bearers for the Balmain North branch was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—President, the Mayor of Balmain (Alderman H. Mills, J.P.); vice-presidents, Dr. R. A. Wilson, Dr. Gordon-Davidson, Mr. W. Cullen Ward, Mr. W. C. Macdougall, Mr. Samuel Kirkby, and Mr. J. J. Beeder; joint hon. secretaries, Mr. L. L. Earl and Mr. Frank W. J. Donovan; treasurer, Mr. A. J. Reynolds.

Mr. W. H. Wilks, M.L.A., who has joined the association, said that throughout the district there were numbers of men on both sides of this question who were keenly interested in this bill. He suggested that local talent be used in conjunction with prominent speakers to be obtained through the United Federal Executive, and it was suggested that a public meeting be held weekly in the Town Hall, and also a balcony meeting. He hoped that a letter would be sent with a request to have the best speakers to address Balmain audiences. He mentioned that the bulk of the interest now centred around the financial question. The other bogeys about the capital and alteration of the constitution had now been exploded. All efforts should be devoted to the aspect of taxation, and it would be found in this direction that a great many misstatements had been made. (He concluded by moving,—"That one week-night meeting and a public meeting be held in the Town Hall, and that prominent speakers be at once invited."

Mr. W. C. Macdougall seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

It was decided on the motion of Mr. Donovan, seconded by Mr. Earl,—"That this association communicate with the borough council of Balmain with a view of obtaining the use of the local Town Hall free of charge."

A resolution was also carried,—"That a meeting be held weekly for open discussion on the amended Constitution Bill."

MARRICKVILLE.

The Marrickville branch of the New South Wales Federal Association met at the Excelsior Hall, Marrickville, on Tuesday evening. Alderman H. A. Langley (president) took the chair, and there were present 50 electors, including Alderman M'Cormick, ex-Mayor W. H. Smith, Messrs. D. Munro, F. W. Grant, J. H. Brodie, and J. R. Hubbard.

The hon. secretary (Mr. A. R. Croft) explained the object of the meeting, and moved,—"That this branch of the Federal Association alter its constitution so as to become the Marrickville branch of the United Federal Executive." The mover stated that this resolution was brought forward so that all federalists in Marrickville, including those who were not members of the branch of the Federal Association (of whom a number were present at the meeting), might unite in one strong organisation for the purpose of supporting the acceptance of the Federal Bill.

Mr. W. H. Smith (ex-Mayor) seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

The meeting then proceeded to elect new office-bearers as follows:—President, Alderman H. A. Langley; vice-presidents, Mr. F. E. M'Lean, M.L.A., Alderman W. R. Benson, J.P., Alderman D. Chenhall, and Mr. W. H. Smith; treasurer, Mr. J. H. Brodie; secretaries, F. W. Grant and T. Barber; delegates to the federal committee, Alderman H. A. Langley and Mr. A. R. Croft; general committee, Aldermen Dr. Perkins, Healehurst, and Scouller, Dr. W. T. Chenhall, Messrs. J. Vicars, D. Munro, A. T. Jones, H. Ellis, R. Weston, W. Weston, F. A. Thorpe, R. Howarth, W. Gunter, H. Milligan, H. Kelly, A. Page, A. Pedersen, A. Berriman, G. W. Brewer, Howard, Hubbard, Byrnes, C. and F. Rudolph, A. Sneddon, W. Frost, Williams, Kirkland, Sheehan, Tichbourne, A. Trayne, Wear, Ball, Pilgrim, Gray, W. G. Burke, R. W. Brereton, A. C. Croft, W. A. Freeman, D. Gallagher, P. Collins, M. Collins, W. J. Leslie, G. Linden, Moncur, sen., J. Moncur, jun., J. H. O'Sullivan, G. Rice, M. Quinn, A. Wolford, J. Wallish, Attewell, and M. J. M'Laughlin. An executive committee was also appointed.

The meeting, which was most enthusiastic, decided to hold public meetings once at least each week.

MEETING AT ANNANDALE.

A meeting was held in the Annandale Council-chambers, Johnstone-street, on Tuesday evening to form a branch of the Anti-Convention Bill League. Alderman W. Wells presided. Mr. A. Duncan moved,—"That this meeting is of opinion that the adoption of the Secret Conference Bill will be inimical to the best interests of New South Wales, and a league be formed at once to help to secure its defeat." Mr. Wegg-Horne seconded the motion, which was supported by Mr. G. S. Beeby, and carried. Alderman I. R. Cohen gave a short address in support of the rejection of the Amended Commonwealth Bill, being followed by Alderman Horton. The following officers were elected:—President, Alderman W. Wells; vice-presidents, Aldermen Horton and Mr. A. Duncan; secretary and treasurer (pro tem.), Alderman Cohen; executive committee, Messrs. C. E. Smith, H. Hooke, G. S. Beeby, R. Clarke, C. Hennessy, D. O. White, A. Sheriff, W. J. Ferguson, J. Henty, E. A. Obee, and E. V. Hudson; delegates to the Central League, the president and Mr. Duncan.

MEETING AT PARRAMATTA.

A meeting of the supporters of the Federal Bill was held in the Parramatta School of Arts last night. It was convened by Mr. Ferris, M.L.A. There were present a good number of the supporters of the bill. Mr. Ferris presided, and said he had called the meeting together early so as to get promises from good speakers to visit Parramatta. Messrs. Barton, Ashton, Carruthers, and others had promised to visit Parramatta and speak. Mr. Reid had also promised to visit Parramatta if possible. He moved that those present form themselves into a branch of the United Federal League, with power to add to their numbers. This was seconded by Mr. John Thorne, and carried. It was decided to meet again next Tuesday.

MINISTER FOR LANDS.

DISTURBERS OF MEETINGS.

BARRENGARRY, Wednesday.

The Minister for Lands addressed a large audience at the National Hall, Kangaroo Valley, yesterday, on federation. He stated no reasonable man could expect to find a Constitution without defects. Even the British Constitution was a monument of defects. So was the Constitution of the United States, but the people who worked these Constitutions used them as instruments of good government. The federal Constitution would, in its results, be largely what the people made it who administered it, and as the administration was based on election by manhood suffrage vote, then it was a question whether the people of Australia thought they were to be trusted to govern themselves by the most liberal constitution ever offered to a free people. Of course, if they thought that it was an instrument of government to be used by such men as could be hired to disturb public meetings in Sydney, then, perhaps, it ought to be rejected, but considering that it was to be used by a majority, who were the law-abiding and respectable citizens of the country, then they could trust their follow-countrymen to use it wisely and well. Another strong point made by Mr. Carruthers was that federation with the abolition of the duties on produce would open large tracts of farm land along our borders to their natural market, and there would be some millions of acres in Riverina and down the Murray which to-day were sheep walks, but which under federation could and would readily be put to farming purposes, thus opening an outlet to the well-trained sons of Illawarra farmers. He dwelt on the fact that whilst in the Illawarra district men were scrambling to rent farms at £1 per acre per annum, equally rich soil in the southern border was only paying 3d and 6d per acre rent, owing to their natural system of border duties which prevented the producer having access to his nearest and best market. If by the Customs extra taxation was imposed there must be a corresponding reduction of local taxation. It was folly to suppose that the people who had to elect the Parliament would be such fools as to suffer Parliament to tax them unnecessarily. If either a Federal Parliament or a Federal Ministry dared to levy such heavy taxation as the opponents of the bill had predicted, then the electors would have an easy remedy at the ballot-box in rejecting men who were such fools as to tax the people unduly. (Cheers.) Mr. Alexander Campbell, member for Kiama, proposed a vote of thanks to the Minister for his address, and declared him to be one of the best exponents of the bill. The vote was unanimously accorded.

A unanimous show of hands was given for the bill.

CAMDEN, Wednesday.

The School of Arts is available free for federation addresses.

CAPTAIN'S FLAT, Wednesday.

Mr. Dacey, M.L.A., gave an anti-bill address yesterday. He was asked a number of questions. The sentiment of the meeting was evidently strongly federal.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

The Federal League met last night and reported an accession of strength. The local branch of the anti-bill league met to-night. Arrangements were made for the resumption of operations. The attendance was satisfactory. It was stated that some who had voted for the bill were now against it.

MILTON, Wednesday.

A federal association was formed yesterday. Mr. W. D. Warden was elected president, Mr. H. Ranch vice-president, Dr. Young and Alderman Riley hon. secretaries, and Mr. J. W. Cocks treasurer. The central league is to be asked to send two speakers. Last year the vote here was in favour of the bill, and it is thought the majority will be larger on June 20.

PICTON, Wednesday.

An anti-bill meeting was held yesterday, and a committee appointed.

SINGLETON, Wednesday.

Messrs. Quinn and Hawthorne, Ms.L.A., addressed a large meeting to-night in the Mechanics' Institute, presided over by the Mayor. A resolution in favour of federation was moved at the conclusion of the addresses by Mr. C. H. Dight and seconded by Mr. Bennett, and carried unanimously.

WAGGA, Wednesday.

Mr. A. Rae, ex-M.L.A., an anti-billite, addressed a sparsely attended meeting yesterday. The Mayor, Alderman Coleman, presided, and said his views were not in accordance with the speaker's. Little interest was taken in the meeting, and no vote was proposed.

DR. MACLAURIN AND THE BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In my yesterday's letter I ought to have made clear from where I ascertained that the sum which Dr. MacLaurin had overstated in his figures of State balances was really £533,000, as it did not come out in his speech of Friday. "Hansard," of March 8, reporting Dr. MacLaurin, will show this. Page 489:—"The requirements of each State amount to £7,184,000. That is, on the supposition that Western Australia retains its intercolonial duties, which it would do for the first year." Then on page 490—"As everyone knows, Western Australia is not to continue always to get the whole of her intercolonial customs revenue, so her deficiencies of intercolonial revenue will require to be made up. She has to reduce her intercolonial customs revenue by one-fifth every year. Therefore, I have taken the trouble to calculate upon very much the same percentages a tariff which would apply when Western Australia has given up her intercolonial customs revenue, and therefore requires a very much greater contribution from the Federal Treasurer if she is to get on at all. Now, the minimum tariff that would meet that purpose, provided there were no surpluses, amounts to £7,717,000 for the six colonies." The difference between the two totals is the £533,000. The extracts are worth noting, as they give some insight into Dr. MacLaurin's methods. The bill distinctly puts on Western Australia herself the onus of finding revenue over her share of the yield from the uniform tariff, and, to assist her in this, gives her power to levy intercolonial duties, on a declining scale, for five years, by the close of which time it is of course presumed that she will have arranged her own finances, apart from these special duties, but Dr. MacLaurin refuses to recognise the provisions of the bill, and insists on debiting the Commonwealth with payments which the bill repudiates.

Having arrived at £6,295,000, without Queensland, or £7,717,000 with that colony, as the liability of the Commonwealth, Dr. MacLaurin proceeds: "Remember, we have not begun to take the surpluses yet. When we speak of the surpluses you will find a very different pair of shoes." Dr. MacLaurin having started wrongly, and got into a mess, proceeds now to flounder in right good earnest. The £7,717,000 is only—it seems—a foretaste of what is to follow. He finds that to make things right for New South Wales a tariff of £9,348,000 is required, and he assures his hearers that he "is simply working out what this bill shows must be done." Then he takes another plunge. Before Tasmania could get the whole of her requirements the Federal Treasurer would have to raise £11,641,000, adding that he was "calculating strictly according to the provisions of the bill." Here Dr. MacLaurin stopped short, avoiding a point with which he might have made the hit of the evening. He could on the same lines have said that before Western Australia could have got the whole of her requirements the tariff would have had to be raised to perhaps 20 or 25 millions. Possibly the doctor's stock of gravity was beginning to run short or he might have made the venture. Falling back on yesterday's illustration of the spokes and the wheel, it is easy to see how these huge sums, and these so-called surpluses are produced. In the federal wheel (representing the uniform tariff) Western Australia would be only entitled to one spoke out of the 20, but if that one were six times the length of each of the seven spokes supplied by New South Wales it would make a circle six times the diameter that could be made with the New South Wales spokes. So Dr. MacLaurin draws his circle round each sized length of spoke one after the other, and reaches results the very ludicrousness of which shows how mistaken they are. The singular thing is the frequency with which Dr. MacLaurin assured his audience that he was only explaining what was in the bill, the best reply to which seems to be that if the bill to-day embodies results so astounding it embodied them no less when the committee of federal finance, of which he was a member, reported last year on the bill. Certainly that report neither adopted the methods used by Dr. MacLaurin on Friday, nor did it arrive at conclusions so startling. The tariff he first spoke of would, he said, increase customs and excise taxation in New South Wales by 29s 4d per head. When he named a tariff to make Tasmania right he might, but did not, have said that would tax us considerably more than £2 in excess of present rate, and had he gone on with his line of argument on the Western Australian basis he could have said that it meant £5 and more increase of taxation. But, in all seriousness Dr. MacLaurin may be asked to point to the clauses in the bill that warrant the extraordinary calculations which he put forward. I have never seen them.

Dr. MacLaurin's opinion as to the percentage which New South Wales would pay towards the uniform tariff is rather a fluctuating one. The report of the committee, of which he was one of the three members, placed the New South Wales contribution at 34·28 per cent. more than that of Victoria—Mr. Bruce Smith, one of the members, protesting that it was too high. On July 6 in the Council Dr. MacLaurin dropped the estimate for Victoria and raised that for New South Wales, making the excess no less than 49 per cent. This would mean supposing Victoria to collect two millions, that New South Wales on the first estimate would pay £690,000 extra, and on the second £980,000 extra—rather a big jump, it must be admitted. On Friday Dr. MacLaurin dropped back to the committee percentage when dealing with the same five colonies, but in his estimate for what New South Wales would pay towards a tariff for the whole six colonies he placed the sum at £77,000 higher than he did on March 8.

Towards the close of his speech Dr. MacLaurin referred to what he had said in the Council after the rejection of the bill, when he in fact outlined his own ideas as to what the financial scheme should be. It is well the public should know Dr. MacLaurin's own scheme as well as his criticism of the Convention scheme. I cannot do better than quote the condensation I gave of his proposals and my reference thereto on March 8 last.

"Hansard," page 498: "Speaking in this House on 6th July last the hon. and learned member outlined his scheme, under which he told us New South Wales would have to pay an extra £1,100,000. Then he said that he would give Victoria a grant out of this of £500,000, and at the same time the Victorian taxation would be reduced by £266,300. So that the position of Victoria would be improved by £766,000, the Queensland taxation would be lessened by £60,000, the South Australian taxation by £40,000, and the Tasmanian taxation by £88,000—a total of £944,000 taken out of New South Wales money for the absolute benefit of other colonies. I have always been wondering whether the hon. and learned member was doing what we call 'poking borak,' or whether he was deliberately putting forward some scheme which was calculated to make the cause of federation stink in the nostrils of the men of New South Wales. How could any man dream that New South Wales would be prepared to pay down nearly a million sovereigns every year to be poured into the coffers of the other States? Is it possible that such a thing is likely? The hon. and learned member Dr. MacLaurin is a Scotchman, but when he suggests here that a scheme of taxation can be accepted by New South Wales that will take from her a million sovereigns and give three-quarters of a million to Victoria and tens of thousands to the other colonies, can he for a moment think that he is propounding anything that can be accepted by New South Wales, or that he is doing anything but what is likely to make New South Wales disgusted with the cause of federation? I imagine that if the hon. and learned member could succeed in doing that he would succeed in attaining his desire."

The public will do well to weigh and carefully compare Dr. MacLaurin's denunciation of the bill which aims, even at the cost of the annoyance of the bookkeeping system, at retaining for this and every other State its own revenue payments and his own proposals made on July 6 last. No, no, Dr. MacLaurin, as a gentleman, a scholar, a scientist, and a medical authority we esteem you greatly; but as a financier you have yet to win your spurs.

I am, &c., EDWARD PULSFORD.

May 10.

A VADE-MECUM OF FEDERAL FINANCE.

A CORRECTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I shall be obliged if you will correct an error in my letter of yesterday. I there stated that the taxes on narcotics and stimulants would return £5,000,000 under a federal tariff. The figures I had before me included duties on tea, rice, and a few other similar commodities in general use. Narcotics and stimulants alone for the six colonies at New South Wales rates would bring in about £4,000,000; but as duties on tea, rice, &c., exist in every colony it is fair to assume that the Commonwealth will also tax these commodities. The point is that the revenue from a few articles in general consumption (not including sugar), such as narcotics, stimulants, tea, rice, &c., will bring in £5,000,000 a year to the Commonwealth without any appreciable increase in existing taxation. The detailed figures were given by Mr. Pulsford in one of the articles on federal finance which appeared in your columns before the last referendum.

I am, &c., B. R. WISE.

DUAL VOTING ON THE FEDERAL BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As I understand it, the only qualification for voters at the referendum on June 20 is the presentation of an elector's right. The right may be presented at any polling-place in New South Wales. There is, therefore, no reason to prevent a voter whose right has been taken out for Ashfield voting at Waverley or elsewhere. The usual lists are not to be used on this occasion, and as duplicate or triplicate rights are easily obtainable I can see nothing to prevent a person who holds an original right and a duplicate right voting at two different places.

There is also no provision for scrutineers, and it seems a monstrous thing that the poll clerks who are appointed should be the only persons who are to say that the vote is a "Yes" or a "No," and I presume that no person is entitled to ask for a recount. Surely, at such an important time, it should not be left to an individual or two individuals who think the same way to swell the votes at their own sweet will. They may even think when putting down a "Yes" where a "No" has been polled, or vice versa, that they are acting patriotically.

I am, &c., SCRUTINY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—There is one important feature of finance overlooked by Dr. MacLaurin in his Protestant Hall speech which, I think, will bear looking into. His arguments to a great extent rested on the assumption, and his audience was led to believe by analogous reasoning, that the methods of State financing in New South Wales and Victoria were similar. How different are the principles which govern the respective colonies, both in raising revenue and disbursing the same, may be seen from the following returns, which I quote from "Coghlan's Seven Colonies." Revenue from public lands—New South Wales, for 1897-8, £1,936,000; Victoria, for 1897-8, £384,000. Loan expenditure on non-revenue works—New South Wales, up to 1897-8, £10,199,000; Victoria, up to 1897-8, £2,837,818. Loan expenditure on telegraphs and telephones—New South Wales, up to 1897-8, £969,800; Victoria, up to 1897-8, nil. Loan expenditure on public works—New South Wales, for 1897-8, £1,642,000; Victoria, for 1897-8, £462,030. Briefly stated, Victoria pays for her telegraphs and telephones out of consolidated revenue, while we construct from loan money. Last year the sister colony had £1,582,000 less from land revenue, and expended £1,180,000 less from loans than New South Wales. Put an end to our system of living on capital to the extent of £1,000,000 per year, and reduce loan expenditure to correspond with the Victorian amount, and what sort of a tariff should we need even without federation?

May 10. I am, &c., THOS. ROSE.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

Pony and galloway races will be held at Brighton to-day, the first event starting at 2.45 p.m. In addition to the ordinary railway service to Rockdale, a special train will leave Redfern station at 1.55 p.m.

A trotting match for £10 a side will take place at Kensington to-day at 3 p.m. between Mr. J. Dorrie's pony Jack and Mr. Mark Harris's pony Blue May. A small charge will be made for admission, the proceeds to be given to St. Vincent's Hospital.

E. Key's string of racehorses has been increased by a bay five-year-old gelding by Blue Mountain.

The steeplechaser Mangere was sent back to New Zealand by P. Nolan yesterday.

Mr. H. C. White's brood mare Clare, who has lately been to St. Albans on a visit to Wallace, returned to Havilah yesterday. Mr. White is mating Clare with Wallace to English time.

The annual meeting of the members of the Sydney Hunt Club takes place next Wednesday (17th instant), at the Hotel Australia, at which all interested in hunting are invited to attend.

Cashmore was yesterday struck out of all engagements in connection with the Warwick Farm May Meeting.

The programme for the pony and galloway races to be held at Kensington on Wednesday and Thursday, 17th and 18th instant, is contained in the advertising columns. Entries for the different events close with the secretary, Mr. P. O'Mara, before 5 p.m. to-morrow.

KENSINGTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

There was a good attendance at the pony and galloway races held at Kensington yesterday. The stewards held an inquiry into the running of Paddy in the Fourteen-one Handicap, but were satisfied with the explanation offered. Soon after starting in the Fourteen-two Handicap Carmel fell, causing her rider (E. Thompson) a broken collarbone. In the Fourteen Hands Welter Handicap the chestnut mare Melinda broke one of her hind legs when running last past the three-furlongs post, and was destroyed. Following are the results of the racing:—

Welter Handicap (15.0) of 20 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—A. Hogan, jun.'s ch g Kettledrum, 6 years, 9st (W. Flannery), 1; W. Howe's b m Mahita, 5 years, 9st 4lb (J. Fanning), 2; C. Gallimore's b m Bessie, 6 years, 10st 4lb (A. Williams), 3. Other starters: Mat Sharp, 10st 2lb; Laurette, 10st; Nightlight, 9st 7lb; Jasper, 9st 3lb; Palava (late Klondyke), 9st; Rubeen, 8st 7lb; Floodgate, 8st 5lb; Belltree, 8st; Ando, 7st. Betting: 5 to 4 v. Kettledrum, 3 to 1 v. Jasper, 5 to 1 each v. Mahita and Laurette. Won by two lengths, half a length between second and third. Time, 57⅔ seconds.

Fourteen-one Handicap of 20 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—M. Guerin's ch f Adelaide Ascot, 3 years, 7st 1lb, including 1lb over (F. Neville), 1; C. O'Rourke's br m Little Essie, 5 years, 7st 10lb (A. Williams), 2; W. Clark ns b h Paddy, 4 years, 6st 10lb (P. Kramer), 3. Other starters: Philomena, 9st 5lb; Two Up, 9st 4lb; Lilac, 8st 3lb; Leo, 7st 8lb; Yetlight, 7st 5lb. Betting: 5 to 2 v. Adelaide Ascot, 7 to 2 each v. Lilac and Two Up, 5 to 1 v. Paddy, 6 to 1 v. Leo, 8 to 1 each v. Philomena and Little Essie. Won by two lengths, half a length between second and third. Time, 59 seconds.

Thirteen-three Handicap of 20 sovs., 4 furlongs.—J. C. Chambers's b f Ardath, 2 years, 7st 10lb (P. Hayes), 1; C. O'Rourke's b m Zillah, aged, 9st 6lb (A. Williams), 2; E. Hughes's b f Mirth, 3 years, 8st 9lb (E. Thompson), 3. Other starters: Kallenite, 7st 7lb; Patch, 7st 6lb; Gay Girl, 7st 6lb, including 1lb over; Flora, 7st 2lb; Polly Hall, 7st; Silver Lady, 7st; Mirror, 6st 10lb; Auric, 7st 1lb, including 7lb over. Betting: 5 to 4 v. Kallenite, 5 to 1 v. Ardath, 6 to 1 each v. Zillah and Auric, 7 to 1 v. Patch, 8 to 1 each v. Silver Lady and Mirth. Won by two lengths, a length between second and third. Time, 54½ seconds.

Fourteen-two Handicap of 20 sovs., 5½ furlongs.—W. Edwards ns br m Kalla Kalla, 4 years, 7st, including 1lb over (C. Gallimore), 1; H. Robinson's b m Sook, 5 years, 7st 7lb (F. Neville), 2; M. Amos's b m Portia, aged, 8st 9lb (E. Lawler), 3. Other starters: Curio, 9st 3lb; Cam-rion, 8st 13lb; Carmel, 8st 5lb; Little Lady, 7st 10lb; Miss Mannix, 7st 6lb, including 1lb over; Eilch, 7st 5lb; True Colour, 7st; Zosimus, 6st 7lb. Betting: 3 to 1 v. Kalla Kalla, 4 to 1 v. Carmel, 5 to 1 each v. Portia and Miss Mannix, 8 to 1 v. Sook. Won by half a length, a head between second and third. Time, 1 minute 11½ seconds.

Fourteen Hands Welter Handicap of 20 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—J. Lamb's ch m Thirza, 4 years, 7st 7lb (F. Neville), 1; J. Jones's b or br f Linda (late Serena), 3 years, 7st 10lb (F. M'Laughlin), 2; T. Leslie's br g Sailor, aged, 8st 7lb (W. Flannery), 3. Other starters: Llama, 9st 2lb; Miss Thorpe, 8st 5lb; Melinda, 8st 5lb; Carissima, 8st; Selina, 6st 10lb; Wheatear, 7st 7lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Sailor, 5 to 2 v. Wheatear, 6 to 1 each v. Selina and Carissima, 7 to 1 v. Linda, 10 to 1 v. Thirza. Won by half a length, a length between second and third. Time, 1 minute ¾ second.

May Handicap (15.0) of 50 sovs. 6 furlongs.—E. Lawler's b m Cora II., 4 years, 7st (F. Neville), 1; R. J. Robinson's b m Minerva, 4 years, 8st 12lb (J. Smith), 2; A. Hogan, jun.'s ch g Kettledrum, 6 years, 7st 10lb, including 7lb penalty (H. Howard), 3. Other starters: Lily, 9st; Snowden, 8st 13lb; Clare, 8st 7lb; Lyndhurst, 8st 3lb; Bill Dean, 8st 1lb, including 1lb over; Mahita, 8st; Petrel, 7st 10lb; Jasper, 7st 10lb; Springhill, 7st 7lb; Prairie Boy, 7st 5lb; Rat-a-Tat, 6st 9lb; Doreen, 6st 7lb; Duchess, 6st 12lb, including 5lb over. Betting: 7 to 2 v. Kettledrum, 4 to 1 each v. Cora II. and Minerva, 6 to 1 v. Rat-a-Tat, 10 to 1 v. Springhill. Won by a neck, a head between second and third. Time, 1 minute 16½ seconds.

HAY JOCKEY CLUB.

First Day.

HAY, Wednesday.

The Jockey Club's annual race meeting was commenced to-day. The attendance was fair, and the weather fine. Subjoined are the results:—

Opening Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Mr. R. Hopstead's Rose, by Gudes—Little Bertha, 9st 9lb (Hopstead), 1; Mr. J. C. Lyall's Sweep, 9st 9lb (Hing), 2; Mr. R. O'Neil's Golden Locks, 8st 10lb (Bigger), 3. Time, 1 minute 16 seconds.

District Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Mr. Terry's Hawthorn, 11st 3lb (F. Broughton), 1; Mr. G. Barnes's Cosmus, 10st 13lb (G. Gormly), 2; Mr. F. Lavender's Artisan, 9st 12lb (F. Darby), 3. Time, 1 minute 37 seconds.

Jockey Club Handicap, 1 mile.—Mr. A. C. Edwards's Wild Raven, by Trenton—Ravenswing, 9st 4lb (Fergum), 1; Mr. J. M'Grath's Kendall, 9st 5lb (Cherry), 2; Mr. P. Heffernan's Josephine, 9st (O'Brien), 3. Time, 1 minute 47½ seconds.

Sale Stakes, 6 furlongs.—Mr. C. F. Campbell's Novelette, 8st 12lb (Jack), 1; Mr. L. Holmes's Ina, 8st 12lb (Hing), 2. Time, 1 minute 22 seconds.

Waradgery Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Mr. P. Heffernan's Jadeo, by Yule Cake, 9st 9lb (O'Brien), 1; Mr. A. C. Edwards's Nevermore, 7st 7lb (Lewis), 2; Mr. G. Barnett's Cosmus, 6st 8lb (Bigger), 3. Time, 1 minute 33 seconds.

SCONE RACES.

SCONE, Wednesday.

The Scone race meeting took place to-day and was well attended. The day was fine but cloudy, the fields were good and the races well contested. Following are the results:—

Stewards' Gift.—Parapet, by Lochiel—Paraphrase, 1; Hereford, 2; Birthday, 3.

Borough Handicap.—Victor, by Ivanhoe—Camilla, 1; Titania, 2; Siara, 3.

Sator Handicap.—Parapet, by Lochiel—Paraphrase, 1; Bombshell, 2; Hereford, 3.

Park Stakes.—Peppercorn, 1; J. C., 2; Titania, 3.

Welter Handicap.—Bombshell, 1; Chucer, 2; All Gold, 3.

BRIGHTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

Subjoined are the weights for the pony and galloway races to be held at Brighton to-day:—

Trial Stakes (15.0), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—Glenhaven, 8st 2lb; Rough Cut, 7st 13lb; Rapador, 7st 7lb; Miss Hilltop, 7st 5lb; Creeper, 7st; Amazon, 7st; Peggy Pryde, 6st 7lb.

Carlton Handicap (13.3), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—Dainty, 8st 8lb; Silver Lady, 7st 8lb; My Jane, 7st 5lb; Jimmy II., 7st 3lb; Planet, 7st 2lb; Waxy, 7st; Rosy, 6st 9lb; Blossom H., 6st 7lb; Umpire, 6st 7lb.

Rockdale Handicap (14.2), 5 furlongs 10 yards.—Sook, 8st 10lb; Maggie, 8st 9lb; Invader, 8st 1lb; Leeward, 8st; Clotoire, 7st 2lb; Antic, 7st; Euclid, 6st 12lb; XIOUS, 6st 12lb; Queen May, 6st 7lb.

Bexley Handicap (14.1), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—Little Essie, 9st; Bessie M., 8st; Retreat, 7st 6lb; F. W., 7st 2lb; Album, 6st 12lb; Iona, 6st 7lb.

Brighton Handicap (15.0), 5 furlongs 10 yards.—Laurette, 9st 2lb; Lex 8st 2lb; Lady May, 8st 1lb; Grandbar, 7st; Squill Candy, 6st 12lb; Drofter, 6st 11lb; Daisy Bell, 6st 7lb.

THE ENGLISH FOOTBALLERS.

A SPLENDID COMBINATION.

The team of footballers to visit Australia from England, or, to be precise, from the United Kingdom, is nearing the final selection, and judging by the record of those whose names have been finally decided upon, there is not the least doubt that the Rev. M. Mullineux has got together a very fine combination, and one that should fully extend the representatives of the Australian colonies, including New Zealand, should that comparatively far-off colony finally decide upon sending representatives to the Australia v. England matches. As above stated, the whole of the 21 players had not been definitely chosen when the English mails to hand closed. There was one, Fookes (England's great scoring three-quarter) from whom an affirmative reply had not reached the organiser at the time of the departure of the files that arrived yesterday, though it was then expected in a couple of days. (Mr. M'Arthur, who represents the New South Wales Rugby Union in England, in a letter to Mr. Rand, the hon. secretary of that body, said that in the event of Fookes being unable to make the trip, there was a very good man available to fill the vacant position. Huzzey, the Welsh three-quarter, who was stated to be coming, found that he was unavoidably compelled to give up the tour. Otherwise the team is:—

Full back: J. F. Byrne (England).

Three-quarters: E. F. Fookes (England), A. B. Timms (Scottish Trials), E. Gwyn Nicholls (Wales), G. P. Doran (Ireland), E. T. Nicholson (Cheshire), C. E. K. Thompson (Lancashire).

Halves: M. Mullineux (Kent), C. Adamson (North of England), G. Cookson (North of England).

Forwards: C. R. Gibson (England), J. W. Jarman (England), J. S. Francomb (Lancashire), G. E. Evers (Moseley), F. C. Belson (Somerset), B. I. Swannell (East Midlands), A. Ayre Smith (Surrey), W. Judkins (Coventry), T. W. M'Gowa (Ireland), F. M. Stout (England), W. G. Byron (Ireland).

It adds much interest to the team to know that it contains men hailing from England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales; but, what is of more importance, there are no fewer than nine who have earned their spurs in international engagements. The above list shows that England is represented by five—Byrne and Fookes amongst the backs, and Gibson, Jarman, and Stout in the forward division. Authorities say that Stout, Gibson, and Jarman are worth their places in any team, while Byrne is one of the four best full-backs in the United Kingdom—the other three being Bancroft (of Wales), Tristam (of England), and Smith (of Scotland)—and there are many prominent in football on the "other side" who hold the opinion that Byrne is the best of the quartet. A. B. Timms, of Scotland, though not exactly possessing an international reputation, at least ran so close thereto as to be chosen in the Scotch Trials. Ireland has three in the team—Doran, M'Gowa, and Byron—the first-mentioned being a back man, while the other couple are forwards. It was doubtful as to whether Byron or Gray (Scotch Trials) would be coming, but very shortly before the mail closed definite word in the affirmative was received from the Irish International. Doran is a three-quarter of the highest class. Mr. Mullineux has also been fortunate in securing the assistance of E. Gwyn Nicholls, the Cardiff and Wales crack three-quarter. In fact, he is said to be the best—possibly better—in that position since the days of A. J. Gould. He comes with the reputation of being the most scientific centre three-quarter of the present day. Of the remainder Mullineux, the organiser, is reputed to be the smallest first-class football player ever known, while at Cambridge he is considered to be the finest tackler that ever donned guernsey, and was said to have been the best of three halves of the team that toured South Africa in 1896; so that while Mr. Mullineux is to be congratulated on having got together such an array of football talent, the team will no doubt admit that there is a lot of good fortune in making such a lengthened tour under one who has himself earned so much credit in the football field. The other half-backs are Adamson and Cookson. Both are thoroughly consistent players, as may be judged from the fact that they represent the north of England. Nicholson, of Cheshire, and Thompson, of Lancashire, complete the list of three-quarters. Judkins, of Coventry, was, like Byron, selected immediately before files closed. Francomb, of Lancashire, and Swannell, East Midlands, are players of first-class quality, and have well earned their positions in the team. Of the remaining forwards Belson (Somerset) and Ayre Smith (Surrey) are county representatives, and Evers plays for the Mosely club.

In forming his team Mr. Mullineux received the greatest assistance from Mr. Rowland Hill, from the hon. secretary of the English Rugby Union, and from Mr. G. W. M'Arthur, the representative in England of the New South Wales Rugby Union, who was most indefatigable in the aid he gave.

The men had arranged to meet at Charing Cross station yesterday morning, and to proceed to Marseilles, where they join the P. and O. steamer Oceana to-morrow, and anticipate reaching Adelaide on June 12, and arriving at Sydney about the 14th. The first match is against New South Wales, and will be played on June 17. It will thus be seen that they will not have much time on land for the purpose of training, but being aware of that fact, Mr. Mullineux had arranged for the men to keep in condition on board ship.

The initial movement in connection with the tour was commenced in 1897, and, though the work of organisation was pushed on as much as possible, it was found too late to make the necessary arrangements for a visit in 1898. The N.S.W. Rugby Union renewed the invitation for 1899. Difficulties however, arose owing to the South African Union forwarding the English Union an invitation to send a team there this year. The English Union then required Mr. Mullineux to show it that he could get a team up if the South African invitation were not accepted. There were several interviews between the union and Mr. Mullineux, but it was not till February last that the South African tour was abandoned. Probably this accounts for the cable message received from England which was construed to mean that the Australian tour had been abandoned. Evidently it should have referred to the abandonment of the South African tour. By yesterday's mail Mr. W. A. Rand, the hon. secretary of the New South Wales Rugby Union, received a letter from Mr. Mullineux in reply to one asking for an explanation of the cable. In that letter it was stated that there was never any suggestion of abandoning the Australian tour.

The colours of the team are to be: Jerseys, red; white, and blue caps; stockings, dark blue, with red and white tops; knickers, dark blue serge; blazers, dark blue, with badge emblematic of the four countries of the United Kingdom; cap, maroon, with kangaroo in front.

CYCLING.

TEMORA, Wednesday.

About 250 nominations have been received for the cycling carnival to be held on May 24, including riders from Sydney, Albury, Junee, Peak Hill, Dubbo, Narrandera, Cooma, Wagga, Cootamundra, Young, Cowra, Mudgee, Wollongong, and elsewhere.

ATHLETICS.

MUDGEE, Wednesday.

The Mudgee Half-holiday Association sports were held to-day under most favourable circumstances. The weather was fine, and the attendance large. Following are the results:—

100 Yards Handicap.—R. Patterson, 1; Hewatt, 2; Goodridge, 3.

Mile Bicycle Race.—Ernest Little, 50 yards, 1; C. Swords, 55 yards, 2.

All-comers' Handicap Footrace, 100 yards.—Patterson, 12 yards, 1; Everett, 5 yards, 2.

Two Miles Bicycle Race.—Harry Burns, 150 yards, 1; A. Whatley, 25 yards, 2; C. E. Sheppard, scratch, 3.

NEWCASTLE.

THE MINING STRIKES AT DUDLEY AND WALLARAH.

MEETING OF THE DELEGATE BOARD.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

A special meeting of the Miners' Delegate Board was held at the offices of Colliery Employees' Federation, at the Trades Hall, to-day, for the purpose of deciding upon a course of action with a view to an amicable settlement of the strikes at the Dudley and Wallarah collieries. The president (Hon. John Estell, M.L.C.) occupied the chair, and there was a full attendance of delegates, representing the whole of the mining lodges of the district. The proceedings, which occupied some hours, were, in accordance with the usual custom, conducted with closed doors.

The strike at Dudley colliery has now been in existence for a period of over 12 months. In fact, operations have been practically suspended ever since the disastrous explosion which resulted in the loss of 14 lives in March, 1898. The dispute between the management and the men arose in consequence of the decision of the board of directors to introduce safety lamps instead of the naked light system. This departure from the usual methods of working the mines in this district was decided upon on the recommendation of the Chief Government Inspector of Collieries, and one of the principal reasons for the introduction of safety lamps was to protect the lives of the workmen. The miners, however, protested against the innovation, and demanded an advance of 3d per ton over the union standard rate as compensation for working in what they regarded as deficient light. The management refused to accede to the demand made by the men, with the result that a strike was declared. For the past 12 months the men have been supported by the district at a cost of £100 per fortnight, and owing to the prolonged cessation of work the miners at Dudley are now suffering acute distress. The management some time ago resolved to resume operations with non-union labour, and about 20 men are now working at the colliery.

The board reviewed the history of the conflict at length, and eventually appointed a deputation to again approach the management with the object of arranging if possible some mutually satisfactory basis for an immediate settlement of the strike.

The strike of miners at Wallarah Colliery, situated at Catherine Hill Bay, was declared about two months ago. The men made a demand for an advance of 3d per ton in the hewing rate, on the ground that the selling price of coal had been increased by 1s per ton. It was represented to the management that the combined colliery owners of the northern district has granted the concession named without a request by the men. Several deputations interviewed the manager, and finally the company offered an advance of 1d per ton. The miners intimated their willingness to accept the amount offered conditionally upon the demand for the remaining 2d per ton being referred to arbitration. The company declined to accept these conditions, with the result that a strike was declared. Efforts are now being made by the company to secure a sufficient number of free labourers to replace the strikers, but up to the present only a dozen men are employed at the pit. The Delegate Board decided to again interview both the colliery manager and general manager of the company in Sydney, in order to discuss the question of terminating the conflict by the adoption of terms satisfactory to both sides. A strong deputation was subsequently appointed.

The number of men on strike at Dudley is 250, and at Wallarah 150, making a total of 400 men who are dependent for support on their fellow unionists employed at the other collieries of the district. The strike levies which have been imposed have been severely felt by the miners, and a general desire is expressed on all hands for an early termination of both disputes.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

The barque Mirella arrived to-day from Delagoa Bay to load a cargo of coal for Valparaiso. The ship Grace Harwar sailed to-day for Mollendo with 2885 tons of Duckenfield coal, and the steamer City of Lucknow took her departure for Amboina with a cargo of 5615 tons of Co-operative coal.

In the intercolonial trade the barque Meran arrived to-day from Delagoa Bay to load a cargo of coal from the East Greta Colliery for the Bluff; the steamer Oonah left for Hobart, via Sydney, with 800 tons; and the steamer Barrabool left for Townsville with 100 tons.

THE CITY COURT.

At the City Court to-day William Spowarte, 44, a labourer, was fined £3, with the alternative of one month's imprisonment, on a charge of having assumed the name and designation of a sub-inspector of the New South Wales Police force.

In the Summons Division Richard Butler, the younger, was fined £5, with 7s 8d costs of court, and 5s witnesses' expenses, in default two months' imprisonment, for having assaulted one George Henry Gilbert.

VALEDICTORY MASONIC DINNER.

Last evening the members of Lodge Beresford, No. 161, Petersham, and several Masonic friends tendered to Bro. C. M. Montefiore, P.M., a valedictory dinner on the eve of his departure for New Zealand, where he is to take up the management of the Ocean Accident and Insurance Company. The proceedings were characterised by good fellowship, and a very hearty send-off was the result. Worshipful Bro. G. E. Hudson presided, and there were present Worshipful Bro. W. A. Hudson, Bro. J. G. O'Donnell, S.W., W. Evans, J.W., of the Beresford Lodge, and the following brethren of the Grand Lodge—Right Worshipful Bros. Rofe, P.B.G.D., Trivett, S.G.W., J. W. Moon, P.B.D., E. Carter, D.I.W., and T. E. Spencer, W.D.G.M. Apologies from several brethren were received. After an excellent repast and loyal and Masonic toasts, Bro. W. A. Hudson called upon the Worshipful Master Bro. G. E. Hudson to propose the toast of the evening "The Departing Brother." The W.M. referred to the enthusiasm of the craft which Bro. Montefiore had always displayed and begged his acceptance of a handsomely framed group of his fellow lodge members. Bro. Montefiore feelingly responded. The evening was pleasantly diversified by voice and other contributions from Bros. M'Adam, Lloyd, O'Brien, and Jones. Amongst the visitors was Mr. J. J. Allen, general manager of the Ocean Accident and Insurance Company.

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SHIPPING REPORTS.

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Custom-house.—Entered outwards: May 10, Australien, F.M.S., 6429 tons, Captain H. Verron, for Marseilles, via ports; Riverdale, ship, 1354 tons, Captain R. W. Jones, for West Coast South America, via Newcastle.

Captain W. B. Nelson reports that the Electra crossed the Richmond bar at 7.15 a.m. on the 9th, and arrived in Sydney at 8 p.m. on the 10th instant. Fresh S. winds with rain and thick weather during the passage.

Captain H. M'Donald reports that the Wanaka left Lyttelton at midnight on Sunday, April 30; called at Timaru and Oamaru, and left for Lyttelton on the evening of May 2; left again at 9 p.m. of the 4th, passed Cape Campbell at 10.23 a.m. of the 5th, and had Farewell Spit light abeam at 10.25 p.m. of same day, arriving last night. Experienced strong W.S.W. winds with heavy head sea and rainy weather until midnight of the 8th, thence fresh S. winds and cloudy weather to arrival.

Captain W. Slater reports that the Australian crossed the Clarence bar at 6.15 a.m. on the 9th, and arrived at Sydney at 5.30 p.m. on the 10th. Experienced strong S. winds with heavy rain squalls to Seal Rocks, thence light S.E. winds and fine weather.

Captain A. Forbes reports that the Rosedale crossed out the Nambucca bar at 5.15 p.m. on Monday, 8th; experienced strong southerly wind and choppy sea with heavy rain squalls to Port Macquarie, at which place we arrived at 6.30 a.m. on the 9th; left again for Sydney at 10 a.m. fresh S.S.W. wind and showery, sea moderate; Seal Rocks, abeam at 7 p.m., thence to port moderate S.S.E. wind and cloudy; arrived at 9.30 a.m. on the 10th instant.

The new steamers building for the San Francisco-New Zealand service will each accommodate 175 saloon, 150 second-class, and 100 steerage passengers. They will be fitted with refrigerating chambers for the carriage of frozen meat, for which there is a growing demand in California. In addition, the steamers will have accommodation for 2500 tons of general cargo, they will register 5000 tons gross, and have a speed of 17 knots.

The barque Olivia is to be floated out of Mort's Dock today. She tows to Newcastle to-night to load coal for Valparaiso.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The Tanais left Noumea yesterday at noon, and may be expected here on the 14th instant.

The Armand Behic, from Sydney the 17th ultimo, left Colombo on the 8th instant, at 12 p.m.

The Ville de la Ciotat, with the mails dated London, the 22nd April, left Colombo on the 9th instant, at 4 a.m., for Albany.

The R.M.S. India arrived at Suez on Monday morning, the 8th instant.

The R.M.S. Himalaya arrived at Albany at 8 a.m. yesterday from London, and sailed at 12.15 p.m. for Adelaide. Is due there on Saturday.

The R.M.S. Mariposa, from San Francisco, which arrived at Auckland on Tuesday night, left there for Sydney at 11.15 a.m. yesterday, and is due here on Saturday night or Sunday morning.

PASSENGERS TO ARRIVE PER R.M.S. ORIZABA.

The following list of passengers by the R.M.S. Orizaba, due to-morrow at Sydney, is to hand:—For Sydney from London: Mr. and Mrs. L. St. George 3 children and maid, Misses Pollock and Dight, Mrs. Smith 2 daughters and maid, Mr. and Mrs. Green, Misses Scott and Townsend, Mrs. Foole, Mr. and Mrs. Brand, Messrs. M'Kay, Messurier, Messenger, and Radmore, Miss Salmon, Mr. and Mrs. E. Burton and 2 daughters, Messrs. Hood, Atwell, Hill, Richards, Rev. J. Erwin, Mrs. Firth, Mrs. Snelling, Messrs. Penny and Merrikin. For Sydney from Marseilles: Mr. W. T. Ratcliffe, Messrs. Potts and M'Conville. From Colombo: Messrs. Yeend, Trescott, Cochrane, and Young, Miss Truscott. From Albany: Mr. and Mrs. Money, Mr. A. W. Hoskings, Mr. A. G. Lippatt, and 60 in the third-class.

THE P. AND O. AND LASCARS.

A home paper remarks, under date the 5th ultimo, that another attack is being made by agitators, apparently with the support of the Board of Trade, in connection with the Lascar crew question and the P. and O. When the question was raised four years ago it was dealt with in India. There has never been any discontent amongst the lascars; they are better off in the P. and O. service or in similar vessels of the same class than in their own country; their health is good, and they make no complaint of their accommodation. At the time this matter was being discussed in 1895 a petition was presented to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, signed by the managers of the most important fleets employing lascars, amongst them being the Harrison, Clan, Brocklebank, Anchor, City, British India, and P. and O. lines. That petition was supposed to have settled the matter. It did so, or helped to do so, for the time, but the new agitation has yet to be dealt with, and whatever the result may be, as Sir Thomas Sutherland said in a recent letter to the "Times," it will not be the shipowners who will lose, or the British sailors who will gain.

A CARGO OF BALTIC TIMBER.

The Norwegian barque Syvstjernen arrived in port last night. Captain Hansen reports leaving Frederikstad on December 15, and experienced very heavy weather across the North Sea, gale succeeding gale. Put into Weymouth for shelter on January 21, and sailed again on the 24th with a heavy N.E. gale, which continued until the vessel got well away from the British coast. Had moderate N.E. trades and fine weather to the equator, crossed on the twenty-fifth day out from Weymouth. Had strong S.E. trades along the Brazilian coast. The easting was run down on the parallel of 42° to 43° south lat., with fine weather and strong N.W. to S.W. winds. When making for Bass' Straits a heavy gale was experienced from the northward, so the vessel was headed away for the south end of Tasmania, which was rounded with unsettled weather, and continued so up the coast. The vessel was taken in tow at 11 a.m. by the Leveret, and anchored in Watson's Bay at 8.30 p.m. She is consigned to Mr. J. C. Ellis.

CHARTERS.

Northern Monarch, barque, London to Brisbane.
Silvercraig, ship, London to Newcastle and Melbourne.
Mr. John Williams reports:—
County of Anglesea, Liverpool to Port Natal.
Repello Beverino, New York to Sydney.
Valiera, barque, from Sharpness to Rockhampton.

A MISSING KETCH.

Our Melbourne correspondent last night wired that the Government steamer Lady Loch had gone in search of the missing steamer Peter Nell.

VOYAGE OF THE ORIZABA.

The R.M.S. Orizaba, which is due here to-morrow is in command of Captain A. M'Watt, left London on March 31 at 1 p.m. with 96 first, 64 second, and 109 third class passengers; called at Plymouth April 1, and sailed at 5 p.m. for Gibraltar. Arrived at that port April 5 at 6.15 a.m., sailing again at 10.20 p.m. Fine weather was experienced across the Bay of Biscay. Called at Marseilles on April 7, sailing from Naples 5.10 a.m. on the 10th. Arrived at Port Said on April 13 at 10.20 a.m., entering the Canal at 4.30 p.m.; reached Suez at 11.45 a.m. on the 14th, and proceeded after an hour's stoppage. Had fine and cool weather down the Red Sea, and moderate N.E. monsoon across the Indian Ocean, and reached Colombo on April 24 at 0.35 p.m., sailing the same evening. Experienced strong S.E. trades until arrival at Albany. Arrived at Albany at 2.35 a.m. and left again at 10.15 a.m. on the 5th instant. Experienced fine weather to Adelaide.

SALE OF THE ELDERSLIE.

It is advised by mail that the iron steamship Elderslie, 2761 tons gross, 1801 tons net, built and engined by Palmer's Shipbuilding Company in 1884, with engines 38in. and 72in., by 48in. stroke, and owned by Messrs. T. Bowen, Rees, and Co. (Messrs. Carlisle and Co., London), has been sold to Messrs. W. and A. Simpson, of Cardiff.

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AUSTRALIAN AND IMPERIAL TOPICS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, April 7.

The interval before Lord Beauchamp starts for Sydney is growing very short, and I understand that the preparations for his departure are now complete. Lady Mary Lygon and most of the staff leave for Marseilles on Tuesday to join the Himalaya, which started from the docks to-day. Lord Beauchamp himself leaves on Friday for Brindisi, and will proceed thence by the fast steamer Isis, overhauling the Himalaya at Port Said. This arrangement has been necessitated by the fact that he has still an important public dinner to attend—that to be given by the London Chamber of Commerce. He must be glad that these farewell festivities are nearly over. It is certain that no out-going Governor has departed with a heavier cargo of good wishes. Lord Beauchamp's personal amiability and promise, combined with the natural interest which is felt in the beginning of the career of a young public man, have tended to make his "send off" in many ways a remarkable one. In high official quarters it is admitted that the appointment is somewhat of an experiment, though at the Colonial Office, at all events, there is much confidence as to the result. It will be for the colony itself to judge how far this confidence is warranted; but so far as I am able to gather the opinion among Australians in London—and especially among distinguished Australian visitors fresh from the colony—is distinctly favourable to the new Governor. They like more than anything else, as a very old colonial put it to me, the "modesty and evident earnestness" with which he is addressing himself to his new work. It is one thing to his credit that he is so warmly popular in the neighbourhood in which he has hitherto lived. The Mayor and Corporation of Worcester gave him a very hearty "send off" yesterday, an address of congratulation being presented at the public hall, and a mayoral banquet following at the Guildhall, with an attendance of about 200 guests. In reply to the toast of his health the new Governor laughingly declared that his great difficulty when he arrived at the Antipodes would be to live up to the many good things which had been said of him before he started. He touched sympathetically on the question of federation, and expressed his conviction that the result would be to draw the mother country and the colonies closer together.

I understand that Sir Julian Salomons has been spending a portion of the Easter holidays with Lord Beauchamp. Sir Julian is in good health, and has entered upon the work of his new office in excellent spirits. The impression that he was a little out of sorts seems to have been due to two causes. In the first place, there is no doubt that on his arrival he desired to keep himself quiet for a time, partly for the sake of rest, and partly on account of a recent domestic affliction, the facts of which will be well known in Sydney, and which did a good deal to damp the pleasure of his voyage to this country. His absence from one or two "functions" in connection with which his name had been mentioned may also have had something to do with the idea to which I have referred. At all events, he is sufficiently well to look forward to his work with genuine interest, and there is no doubt that the colony will have in him an active and resolute exponent of its views and general policy. It does not follow that he will follow quite in the same "pushful" course as that which has been adopted by some of his colleagues, or that his voice will be heard at every public gathering at which a colonial representative can claim to be present. It will probably be found that in his view an old-established and settled colony like New South Wales can do without the persistent advertisement which may be right enough in the case of younger communities, and can consequently afford to give greater heed to its dignity. However, he is none the more likely to let the grass grow under his feet as far as colonial interests are concerned. So far Sir Julian has had enough to do in putting his house in order, but there are one or two specific matters affecting the colony with which he will have to deal almost immediately. Among these is the compensation claim of the New Guinea Syndicate, in regard to which it is expected that the Agents-General will report to their respective Governments very shortly.

Among matters of personal interest I may mention that the Hon. John H. Want has been spending Easter at Brighton. This has been rather a cold and uncertain Easter as far as the South coast is concerned, but Mr. Want seems to be steadily improving in health. Mr. Justice Stephen is about leaving by the Himalaya, and he called yesterday at the Agent-General's Office to say "Good-bye." His visit to the old country has evidently been beneficial, and he appears much better, although suffering at the moment from a slight cold. I regret to hear that Sir Saul Samuel is still in very indifferent health. On this ground he has resigned the presidency of the London Colonial Club, which has been accepted by Sir Robert Herbert. Sir Robert is to preside at the annual dinner at the Hotel Cecil on May 11. This will inaugurate the opening of the new premises which the club has secured in Whitehall Court. The club is steadily enlarging its numbers.

The long-talked of conference on Irish unity has been held, but it must be admitted that not much so far has been effected. It is, of course, well known, that the movement for unity has been largely due to the feeling which exists among Irishmen abroad. Its enemies speak of it as intended to draw afresh "the laggard American dollar and the reluctant Australian shilling." There is no need, however, to put the case at all on this sort of basis. No doubt the subscriptions from America and Australia have in the past been welcome to the Irish party, which has had an uphill fight to wage against a wealthy phalanx, and none of the Irish leaders would care to disavow the fact. But they have also had behind them what, in its moral effects, has been worth a great deal more than American dollars and Australian shillings, or pounds, as the case may be; and this is a large mass of colonial sentiment, solidly in favour of Home Rule, as the natural extension of the principle by which the self-governing colonies have so greatly benefited. That this sentiment has been greatly alienated by the squabblings in the ranks of the party is a fact which the Irish leaders have pretty well seized by this time. If they have not done so the fact is certainly not to be attributed to any want of plain speaking on the part of prominent colonials who have visited this country of late years, and I might say more particularly of prominent Australians. The fact is, however, that the conference assembled under bad auspices. In the first place, it was evident from the first that the Parnellites wanted to continue the quarrel, and Mr. Redmond and the bulk of his followers stayed away. Mr. Healy put in an appearance, but he limited himself mainly to sardonic criticisms, and in the end to proposing the appointment of a committee to hold out the olive branch to the Parnellites, and then refusing to sit upon the committee himself. This had the effect of knocking the suggestion as a practical proposal upon the head. Still, it is a mistake to say that the conference was altogether abortive. Some definite resolutions, which may form the basis of a future agreement, were carried; and it is noteworthy that Mr. Harrington, a Parnellite, occupied the chair.

A good deal is being made by some of the newspapers here which interest themselves specially in service matters in regard to the offer of New Zealand to send a land force to assist the British warships in upholding our position in Samoa. There is no doubt that this kind of thing takes hold of the popular imagination pretty quickly, even where there may be no real urgency in the matter. There has been nothing, for instance, in regard to Australian developments of late which has aroused more interest on "this side"—apart, of course, from the great question of federation—than the disposition shown in New South Wales to give a portion, at all events, of the colonial forces an opportunity of drilling side by side with the Imperial troops. The various stages in the progress hitherward of the New South Wales Lancers, who are on their way to Aldershot, are carefully chronicled. They will be sure of a popular welcome, and there is no doubt that they will be well looked after by the authorities.

There was a very lively discussion at the Article Club on Wednesday evening on the sugar bounties question, which threatens to become a standing feature in our political controversies. Sir Horace Tozer made a vigorous onslaught on the bounty system in the interest of the Queensland sugar-growers; but he met with vigorous opposition from Mr. J. M. M'Lean, M.P., of Anglo-Indian fame. Mr. M'Lean told the gathering bluntly that in his view Great Britain had no more to do with the fiscal policy of the colonies than she had to do with that of Mars or Jupiter. He went on, too, to say some things about the extent of the population of Queensland and its indebtedness. He had resort, too, to the argument which tells more than any other here—the extent to which the bounty system has tended to cheapen sugar for general consumption in Great Britain, and the effect on the confectionery trade and allied trades. It is quite evident that the decision of the Indian Government to set up a system of countervailing duties in India is going to meet with serious opposition when the bill dealing with the question comes forward for the sanction of the Imperial Parliament. For the present, at all events, there is not the remotest chance that the mother country will agree to tamper with her fiscal system for the benefit of the sugar-growing colonies generally.

The question of rational dress has a worldwide interest for cyclists, and the result of the action which the Cyclists' Touring Club has just brought against Mrs. Sprague, an innkeeper on the famous Portsmouth road, will help to give some idea of the state of feeling which still prevails in this country on the subject. To put the matter in a nutshell, Lady Harberton, the well-known dress-reformer—who is a member of the club—turned up at the inn in question in "rationals," and demanded to be served with refreshments. The landlady refused to serve her in the coffee-room, but offered to let her have what she wanted in the bar-parlour. Lady Harberton objected to this compromise, because there were men smoking and drinking in the parlour. She went away and induced the club to bring this action, which has resulted in the triumph of the landlady. Technically, the club was defeated, because it was held that sufficient accommodation was provided, but it is practically certain that if Lady Harberton had turned up in ordinary dress the jury would have taken a different view. The whole tone of the proceedings indeed made it clear that the prejudice against rationals—by which, of course, is meant a costume without the skirt—has by no means died out in this country, as it was freely prophesied when the cycling mania first set in that it would do after a year or two of familiarity. In point of fact, anyone acquainted with the state of the more frequented roads here will probably agree that rational costumes tend proportionately to become fewer rather than more numerous. Certain scandals may have had something to do with this, but in the main it appears to be due to a deep-rooted prejudice in the public mind against the "skirtless female."

Mr. Haddon Chambers's new play was produced at the Criterion last night, and proved a considerable success. This is Mr. Wyndham's last season before he moves on to his new playhouse, and it is satisfactory that he is able to open it with so pleasant a piece as "The Tyranny of Tears." There is rather a tragic sound about the title, but as a matter of fact, the piece is pure comedy, and the tyranny is simply that of a fretful and jealous wife overmuch given to the "melting mood." Her husband, a hard-worked author, stiffens his back and defies the powers that be, when his wife wants to turn the useful and pretty lady who acts as his private secretary out of the house for the crime of kissing his photograph—an offence which she commits from a feeling of pity for her henpecked employer. A friend of the author's marries the pretty secretary, and all ends well. It will be seen that the piece is slight, but the humour is very genuine and altogether irreproachable.

POLICE COURTS.

Theft of a Stove.—At the Water Police Court yesterday, in the Charge Division, before Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., Harry Roberts, 28, and William Norton, 28, described as dealers, appeared charged with having in company stolen a Fletcher stove, of the value of £6, the property of Sir William P. Manning, on the 1st instant. The evidence went to show that the stove was taken from a room in an empty house, 532 Bourke-street, and was subsequently sold to a dealer in Paddington for the sum of £2. The accused, electing to be summarily dealt with, pleaded guilty and were each sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Vagrancy.—At the Water Police Court yesterday Joseph Stewart, 53, seaman, and Clara Clark, 27, were sentenced to six months' and one month's imprisonment respectively by Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., for having insufficient lawful means of suppport.

Larceny on Board Ship.—Before Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., yesterday, in the Charge Division of the Water Police Court, a cook named George Ahern, 28, appeared to answer a charge of stealing a razor and strop and a quantity of clothing of the value of £3, the property of Henry Hudson. The prosecutor, who is second steward on the steamer Devon, stated that on the 17th ultimo, while the steamer was lying moored at Parbury's wharf he missed 20 white shirts, 24 handkerchiefs, and other articles of wearing apparel. When the quarters of the accused, who was employed on the ship as cook, were searched by Senior-constable Wallace the articles enumerated in the charge were found, and subsequently identified by the prosecutor as his property. When charged with the theft accused asked prosecutor if he would take the value of the goods and not prosecute. Accused was sentenced to two months' imprisonment.

Indecency.—Before Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., yesterday, at the Water Police Court, a canvasser named William Moylan, 45, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labour for having offended against decency in Moore Park, a place of public resort.

Serious Charge of Assault.—At the Balmain Police Court yesterday, before Mr. F. S. Isaacs, S.M., a middle-aged married man, named Frederick Flintoff, described as a tailor, and recently from Ballarat, Victoria, was charged on two counts with assaulting his two daughters. The accused made no statement in rebuttal, and was committed for trial on the two counts for the next Court of gaol delivery on May 29. The accused said he could not get bail.

Habitual Drunkenness.—Yesterday, at the Central Police Court, before Mr. James Mair, S.M., a dealer named George Turner (48) for being an habitual drunkard and having been thrice convicted of drunkenness within the preceding 12 months, and also behaving in a riotous manner in George-street on the 9th instant, by trying to throw stones at some windows in the presence of about 100 people, was sentenced to be imprisoned with hard labour for six months.

Theft in Hyde Park.—At the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. James Mair, S.M., a woman named Emily Wilson (33) was sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labour for stealing the sum of 14s 6d from the person of James M'Evoy on May 9. The offence occurred the previous evening in Hyde Park, when a man who accompanied the accused drew back prosecutor by the neck and the accused took the money from his pockets.

Charge of Attempted Suicide.—At the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. James Mair, S.M., a clerk named George Eager Minors, 29, of India, was charged with attempting to commit suicide by cutting his throat with a razor on the 2nd instant. Evidence was given by Herbert Larnan, a traveller, showing that about 7 o'clock on the evening of the 2nd instant he saw the accused in George-street outside the shop of Mr. Rose, chemist. Accused pulled out the razor from one of his pockets and started cutting his throat. Accused was taken to the Sydney hospital, where he had five stitches put in the gash he had made. A sentence of one month's imprisonment was imposed on the accused.

Bad Language.—At the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. James Mair, S.M., a woman named Mary Fox, 30, for using indecent language in Elizabeth-street in the presence of a crowd, was fined £5, in default one month's imprisonment, the sentence to commence at the expiration of a sentence of 20s or seven days' gaol for being drunk and disorderly. John Phillips, 23, a labourer, for using indecent language in George-street, was fined £3, in default two months' imprisonment.

Riotous Behaviour.—Before Mr. James Mair, S.M., at the Central Police Court yesterday, William Ryan, 16, and Hamlet Robbins, 14, pleaded guilty to behaving in a riotous manner in Little Riley-street on the 9th instant. Each of the accused was fined £1, in default seven days.

Cruelty to a Horse.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., George Champley was charged with having caused a horse to be cruelly illtreated by allowing it to be worked in King-street, Newtown, in a lame and poor condition. The accused was ordered to pay a fine of £1, in default seven days' gaol.

WATER LICENSING COURT.

The weekly meeting of the Water Licensing Court was held yesterday, the Bench consisting of Messrs. G. H. Smithers, S.M. (chairman), E. H. Wilshire, S.M., and F. Penny, L.M. The following transfers of publicans' licenses were granted:—Robert Lindsay to Charles H. Waterhouse, Lily of St. Leonards Hotel, Alfred-street, North Sydney; Martin Barlow to Margaret M. Kelly, A.J.C. Hotel, Randwick; John W. Cossey to James Green, Imperial Hotel, Oxford-street, Paddington; Bennett Zeller to George Baker, Rozelle Hotel, Darling-street, Balmain. A renewal of a publican's license was granted to George Stansell, Stansell's Family Hotel, Military-road, Mosman. Transfers of colonial wine licenses were granted as follows:—Richard Dwyer and James Kavanagh, executors in the estate of the late Patrick Diamond, to James Kavanagh, 172 William-street, Sydney; and Morris Duschautz to William Bigstrim, 10 Erskine-street, Sydney. The application of Charles Northam for a certificate to issue for a publican's license on premises just completed, the St. Leonards Hotel, Lane Cove-road, was granted. A spirit merchant's license was granted to Sidney E. Marks, trading as Sidney Marks and Co., 60 Post Office-chambers. Booth licenses were granted to George C. Foster, William H. Stephens, and Alfred Meadham. Music permits were granted to Charles Haddow, Thomas M'Gann, Michael Finnan, Frederick Bradley, John Dabron, and James E. Moore.

The Seacliff Asylum (N.Z.) Poultry, Farm, and Cattle Sheds, models in their way, are illustrated in this week's Mail.—Advt.

The prevalent use of slang by all classes of the community is as astonishing as it is lamentable. Primarily it implies on the part of the speaker a poverty of English proper; secondly, a wanton preference for the vulgar and the inornate; lastly, culpable indolence and want of care. You may do this with more or less impunity with language, but you cannot thus trifle with a cold or cough; for these Woods' Great Peppermint Cure is a tried and sure remedy. Every household should possess it. Sold everywhere at 1s 6d to 2s 6d.—Advt.

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OUR YORKSHIRE WOOL LETTER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

New South Wales Wool Sells Well—Sad Spectacle in Crossbreds—Tops Dear and Merinos at a Premium—Bradford Manufactures Brighter than for Years—60's Combings Rise a Penny—Big American Textile Combine and its Probable Effect on Wool—Bradford Trade with the States—Prospects for Higher Prices Better than for Years Back.

BRADFORD, April 7.

Since I last wrote the wool trade has blossomed forth with all the beauty and grandeur almost that it is possible to conceive. I state a positive fact, that everyone's expectations have been more than realised. If I remember rightly, in my last letter I stated that I fully expected to see present prices quite fully maintained, with another rise in merinos, say in two months' time, but nobody expected to see such a good stroke done so early as what took place at the London sales just closed. But it just shows what combined influences can do, and particularly so when there is such strong evidence that supplies will run short. The returns recently published in the "Sydney Mail" of the number of sheep in New South Wales have been much commented upon in wool circles on this side, and not only is 40,000,00 sheep considered excessively low, but even the wool being shorn from that quantity of sheep is considerably less and inferior also. Here in Yorkshire many topmakers and spinners have lately complained bitterly at the excessive shrinkage, when compared with other years, of several New South Wales clips they have been used to handling, and their combings are coming out rather too expensive to meet present prices in this market. But to be told that even the next clip will be less still, and its character no better than the one in the market to-day, is in no sense very assuring news. Strong complaints are very prevalent at the almost impossible task of buying to-day a few thousand bales of really first-class merino wool, and even at the last series of London sales it was with great difficulty indeed that we could stumble across a clip of really first-class merit and order. Had there been present any American buying nobody can tell where some good New England and north-eastern clips would have been, for as it is, they made up to 12½d in the grease. But from a buyer's, and also a seller's, point of view, the recent sales are worth a passing note, and I would now look at them in the interests of New South Wales growers of the article and shippers.

Looking at the course of prices made for Sydney wool recently, it must be said that they figure remarkably well. Anything of average growth and character made readily 9½d to 10d, while if condition was there and not so much earth and burrs, 10½d to 1s could be easily obtained. On turning over my catalogues I find that a north-eastern clip, namely Goonoo Goonoo, made the highest price of any New South Wales clip, the first combing lot making 12½d in the grease. This was a first-class clip, sound, shafty, of super quality, and in very light dry condition. Such clips as this were very rare, being the exception and not the rule. But it is very noteworthy that all northern New South Wales clips made the highest prices of the series, the chief reason being that they were the best grown, most sound, and light in condition. The general run of the values ranged from 7½d to 10½d, but anything of style and merit was fought for with a keenness seldom seen. Taken as a whole, the sales passed off with great spirit, and everything showed life, animation, and go in the wool trade of Great Britain.

But sound as the situation is for merinos, we see a very strong contrast as we look upon crossbred wool. Here everything is dispiriting and disappointing below 46's qualities, and whether or not rock-bed values have been touched it is not safe to say. As I looked upon the crossbred spectacle, and compared it with even the short space of two years ago, I saw that summer values had totally changed into the winter of panic and "slump," and the "good old" days had completely gone. A few plain, unvarnished particulars will help readers to grasp the situation more correctly. The following are authentic quotations for average greasy parcels, and show the precise drift of the latest movement in regard to ordinary crossbred wools of New South Wales and Victorian growth. It may be mentioned that New Zealand crossbreds of the same qualities are worth a full penny less still.

AUSTRALIAN CROSSBREDS.

	50-56's.	46's.	44's.	40's.	36's.
January, 1899	11d to 12d	9½d	8¾d	8½d	7½d
March, 1899	11½d to 12½d	9d	8d	7½d	6½d

But in looking at the above table it must be pointed out that last January American competition forced up Australian crossbreds a good penny per lb., and the absence of the same during recent weeks was in itself sufficient reason for a marked fall. Quoting now for average greasy parcels, and excluding the effect of American competition, readers can see below the exact situation in crossbred wools.

—	1898. March Average	1899. March Average	Lower than March, 1898.	Lower than Jan., 1899.
N.S.W. and Victorian crossbreds—	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per cent.	per cent.
Half-bred, super, 50-56's	11	11½	4·35*	4·35*
Crossbred, med., 46's ...	9½	8	15·00	2·85
Crossbred, coarse, 40's...	8½	7	17·14	6·43
New Zealand:				
Half-bred, 50-56's	10	10½	4·87*	4·87*
Crossbred, 46's ...	8	7	12·12	3·23
Crossbred, 40's ...	7½	6	23·07	7·40
Crossbred, 36's ...	7½	6½	26·22	8·14

* Higher.

Looking more specifically at the course of wool in this great consuming centre it must be said that so far as the turnover and prices for tops go they do not come up to expectations. The influence of the last London sales has as yet been very limited indeed; in fact, this market has not responded in the least to what the present prices of raw wool call for. Bradford merchants find most fault, not so much with the cost of the raw article as their inability to obtain correspondingly high prices for combed tops. The greatest fault about Bradford is that prices for 60's tops move forward much slower than raw wool does. But while the past month certainly has not been a record breaker in the home wool market so far as business is concerned, no matter what else may be said regarding it, everything, or nearly everything, has conspired to bring about increased activity, and although the market cannot be described as very buoyant it certainly is an improvement on the few previous months. Our local press reports have been very slow to chronicle any better prices being made in Bradford for merino tops, but actual sellers have made a halfpenny more than they could obtain when the London wool sales began. There is not only an improved feeling in the market and on 'Change, but a fair volume of business is in progress, much larger than any cursory look would seem to indicate. The inquiry for wool is of a broader, more general character, although as yet it is not reflected very strongly in the amount of business actually done. A great many samples have been asked for and taken out by those with an opening for wool, and although stiff prices are having to be faced, yet they are manifesting decidedly more interest in the market, so that there is a better prospect of more business. All attention seems to be devoted to merinos. Good super 60's have recently made 22d, 64's have realised 22½d, and 70's are offering at 23d to 23½d. This is certainly an improvement on anything touched as yet, and those given to prophecy declare that higher values still will be made. There is no doubt whatever that spinners will have to give prices commensurate with the cost of the raw article, and as no relief can be had anywhere it is only a question of time when values will right themselves. Crossbreds are certainly no worse, and there is a strong prospect that the dearness of fine grades will force lower qualities more to the front. There is a shade more doing, possibly the extreme low prices tempting men to buy more freely. Prices all round, however, are firmer.

This week has been broken into by holidays, and though our factories have been closed down two days, yet this has had no material effect upon the market. Yesterday was market day and things were only quiet, and few outside manufacturers were in, who bought sparingly. Clothing wools are rather dull; in fact, Bradford is not the place in which to look for a big business in the shorter stapled grades at all. Combing wools are to-day of supreme interest, and fine combings are almost at a premium, prices being considerably firmer than for any other kind of stock, the quantities also offering being very limited indeed. But what a contrast there is to-day between the values of fine wools and those of a coarser type! Never in the world's history was there such a difference between merinos, and say the average run of crossbred wools, as there is to-day. If we go back to 1895 we find that prices for 60's tops were exactly similar to what they are to-day, namely, 22d for an average quality and length. But Lincoln hogs then touched 17½d, and 40's crossbred tops were selling at 16½d; while Irish demi-lustre wools made 12½d per lb. To-day the latter article is not worth any more than 8d for the best selected lots, showing a depreciation of 33 per cent.; 40's crossbred tops cannot be sold at any more than 10d, even if that figure can be made, showing the tremendous fall of 6½d per lb., while Lincoln hogs can be bought to-day at 8d to 8½d, a fall of fully one-half. Of course, it must be pointed out that crossbred wools at that time were at their zenith in point of popularity and fashion, while the strength of merinos was caused by the great demand there was for America, both for merino wool and worsted coatings. To-day there is practically no demand for the States of either wool or coatings, causing English and Continental buyers to tackle all supplies of wool. But as regards Bradford itself, the outlook for trade was never brighter and more encouraging since the imposition of higher duties in America than it is today. Such a stoppage of trade as the last duties caused was bound to take considerable time before men could get adjusted to a new order of conditions, but to-day we have a bigger consumption of wool than for the past 18 months, and, with fashionable manufactured materials in the markets of the world, Bradford is fairly sanguine of the future.

But, as I said before, Bradford prices for 60's tops are rather below their cost. This market could do comfortably with an appreciation of a full penny to bring prices up to London and your colonies; but holders are not free sellers, fully believing that before many weeks have passed the askings of to-day will be paid. Bradford seems to be the cheapest market in the world in which to buy fine-grade tops, being a penny below Continental markets. I am pleased to be able to report a very active demand for Botany tops on the Continent, and even in this centre some inquiries are here for good 60's. A good deal of strength arises from the fact that stocks are very small, and there is a total absence of all pressing on the part of holders to sell. With consumption developing there is a very firm and sound tone, and men are confident of ultimate values. The following table shows the full course of prices during the past month, and the figures given represent the general asking price of to-day:—

Description of Staple.	March 10.	March 24.	April 7.
Ordinary 60's colonial tops	20½d	21d	22d
Super 60's colonial tops	22d	22½d	23d
Super 70's colonial tops	22½d	22¾d	24d
Ordinary 60's Buenos Ayres	20d	20½d	21½d

I cannot help calling the attention of your readers to the "combine" mania which has lately run wild both in England and America. In the latter place the American Woollen Company has been formed with a capital of nobody hardly knows what—estimates vary from 40 to 50 million dollars. Some 16 of the largest factories in the United States, including the Washington and the National mills, are amongst the number, and the formation is a very big thing indeed, and will certainly have far-reaching effects. In American wool circles the combine has been very much discussed and strong fears have been and are to-day entertained that it will totally upset the present order of the wool trade of Boston, New York, and Philadelphia. One of my latest reports says that "the market is under the influence of adverse conditions, reflecting the disturbance that has grown out of the talk of trade combinations. No one can confidently predict the ultimate outcome of the proposed trade movements, and until something definite is known regarding them, there will be a halting and hesitation in the raw material market. Wool is on a very low basis of price to-day, and yet it is said that concessions of even a cent would not induce trading. Buying is restricted to actual necessities, no evidence of anticipation of future requirements being had."

My latest report to hand by the last mail says that "there is a better feeling in the wool trade than there was a week ago. There have been more manufacturers around, and although they have not taken a very large amount of stock, the business of the week under review shows some increase. The wool trade is less dejected than it was, and although it is generally admitted that the formation of the worsted trust may bring about some change in established methods of doing business, it is realised that even if the plans of the promoters of both the worsted and woollen trusts are carried to a successful consummation, they will be able to control less than one-half of the machinery employed in manufacturing goods, so that it is acknowledged generally that the bulk of the wool consumed will continue to be purchased as it has been. The promoters of these trusts personally admit that they will be obliged to make use of the credit of the wool trade in securing their supply of raw materials; and as the trust is expected to get into operation as a new organisation in the course of next month, it is reasonable to assume that by that time they will come into the market to buy, as they have been out of the market for some time, and are not supposed to be excessively stocked. One effect of the combine will be that there will be less variance in opinion among those in the trust as to when wools should be bought. For instance, it is not reasonable to suppose that one or two mills in the combine will begin to load up with wool if the others think that it is a poor time to buy. There will at least be some unanimity of opinion as to when wools should be bought, the result of which is likely to be seen in larger purchases, as the mills would be likely to operate together in laying in larger stock. There certainly must be unanimity of action in purchasing raw materials and supplies, if the trust is to be conducted on business principles. It is needless to say that the trade are awaiting with much interest the first purchases of raw material by the mills under the new regime."

Since writing the above a cable has come to hand from Boston which I have been privileged to see, and which says that the "tone of the wool mills is steadily improving. There is much demand for Australian and other foreign wools."

The Bradford-American trade still continues to be a difficult problem, and the March Consular returns made yesterday of wool textiles from this district show that no degree of general prosperity on the other side of the Atlantic has a perceptible effect in bringing a wave of textile imports over the tariff walls. In fact, there is no indication of a revival in the business relations between this city and the United States. The returns for March show a decline of £20,889, if compared with the same month of 1898, and comparing the quarter just closed with the first three months of last year there is a decrease in the value of the exports of £182,124, which comes to a substantial percentage, seeing the total for 1898 was only £511,524. Of course it is not safe to be guided by comparison between two, or even three years, and in order that your readers might fully appreciate the real position, I give below a table of the first quarter's trading under the M'Kinley Act from 1891 to the end of 1894, the Wilson tariff from the beginning of 1895 to the middle of 1897, and then under the Dingley tariff, which is the millstone at present round the necks of Bradford textile trades:—

FIRST QUARTER'S EXPORTS.

	Stuff Goods. £	Worsted Coatings. £	Woollen Goods. £	Cotton Goods. £	Quarter's Totals. £
1891	225,492	89,034	5,381	21,914	[illegible]
1892	237,819	293,963	8,225	52,474	[illegible]
1893	253,635	311,707	6,714	63,365	[illegible]
1894	110,494	57,221	529	25,295	[illegible]
1895	491,139	446,293	78,012	75,751	1,[illegible]
1896	429,283	346,828	135,453	58,558	1,[illegible]
1897	392,219	224,050	60,368	51,204	1,[illegible]
1898	168,084	59,919	1,556	112,484	541,624
1899	142,107	15,622	697	115,693	[illegible]

A study of these figures will disclose some interesting features, indicative of the changes which have taken place in the Bradford trade in recent years. In this respect possibly the feature claiming the first attention is the position occupied by cotton goods. The total for the first quarter of 1898 was a considerable advance on any preceding year in the table, being £112,484 as against £51,204 in 1897, but 1899 takes first place by touching £115,693. This fashion for cotton goods is hailed with anything but satisfaction in Bradford, but in the connection it is to be noted that had it not been for this increased business in cottons the total value of exports for the quarter would have stood at a point lower than in 1894, when the pinch of the M'Kinley tariff was felt most. To demonstrate this more clearly let us take the figures for stuff goods, worsted coatings, and woollen goods for the first three months of 1894, and we get a total of £168,254. For the first quarter of the present year the value of exports under the same three heads is £158,326, or £9928 less than in 1894. Worsted coatings have shrunk in an amazing manner, and when one remembers that for October, 1895, they appear at £182,169, it seems as though there had been some mistake in calculations to put them at £15,622 for January, February, and March of the present year. But there is no mistake, and the delusion is only to be sought by closing one's eyes to the facts. The plain goods trade in Bradford to-day is in anything but a satisfactory position, and it is well for the city that there is a good demand on home account, or there would probably be as deplorable a condition of affairs as at the close of 1893. Still Bradfordians are not without hope even as regards their American business. It is said that the people over the Atlantic are already growing tired of the process of tariff incubation for their own manufactures, and the improved relations between the two nations will, it is hoped, hasten the day when once again manufacturers in this country will be put on a reasonable basis for doing business with the United States.

Regarding the future, I may say the prospects are better than what has obtained for several years back. The manufacturing situation leaves something to be desired, for these high tariffs abroad continue to harass and handicap a free movement of wool-made textiles; but at the same time Bradford manufacturers seem almost master of our home markets, and this once totally captured is worth fully twice as much as even our best foreign market, i.e., that of the United States. As I said before, consumption is vastly improved, more machinery is being run, and the absorption of fine wool is fully equal to all supplies. The outlook, so far as prices are concerned, is as sound as a bell of brass, and there does not seem any adverse factor to cause any downfall in prices. In Bradford itself a rise of a penny would work wonders; but all the talk seems to favour another rise, while some are sanguine enough to believe in a considerable advance yet before the opening of the next Australian season. Certain it is that values to-day show strong signs of approaching still further, and, should the Americans enter the market at an early date, another penny per lb. in the grease can soon be put on. Everything, therefore, points to another rise in the raw article.

It seems very remarkable, but almost like a cry of "fire" the second, or afternoon, meeting on 'Change yesterday afternoon brought about a most pronounced and significant feature. In the morning topmakers were asking 23d for good 60's, but spinners pooh-poohed the idea of paying that figure; but almost like an electric shock before the market closed merino tops were selling at 23d for 60's, and 70's changed hands at 2s. This is good, and there is no doubt that these prices have come to stay.

THE LAND LAWS AND THE COURTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Quite frequently of late the Supreme Court Judges have spoken out as to the complex character of the land laws of this colony. In proof of this complexity we now have the labours of the land board and Land Court in the famous Mercadool case brought to nought upon appeal to the Supreme Court on the technical and questionable point of jurisdiction.

The arrival in Sydney of the judgment of the Privy Council in the appeal of the Minister for Lands v. Harrington the same day that the reserved judgment in the Mercadool case was delivered affords at least a suggestive coincidence. The judgment of the Privy Council is to sustain the findings of the land board and Land Court and to reverse the decision of the Supreme Court of this colony. In the light thus afforded it is somewhat hard to understand the animadversions upon the conduct of the land board in the Mercadool case. The 20th section of the Act empowers the land board to investigate all questions of lapse, voidance, or forfeiture referred to it by the Minister; and if such investigation discloses even conspiracy or worse the duty of the board under the section is made clear enough. As for the non-understanding of abstruse equitable principles by members of land boards, it is only reasonable to suppose that in the making of the land laws—in which the crucial point is the test of truth or otherwise of the replies to questions asked applicants for land—even legislators may be excused for not having foreseen the occurrence of conditions requiring the knowledge of abstruse doctrines.

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May 8. WM. KELK.

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LAW REPORT.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10.

BANCO COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Simpson, Mr. Justice Cohen, and Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson.)

LIABILITY FOR INJURY TO A PRISONER.

Gibson v. Young (part heard).

Mr. Mason and Mr. Pickburn, instructed by Mr. E. G. Maddocks Cohen, appeared for the plaintiff in support of a motion to make absolute a rule nisi for a new trial. Mr. Pilcher, Q.C., and Mr. Innes, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, appeared for the defendant. The action, which was tried before Mr. Justice Owen and a jury of four persons on November 30 last, was one brought by Samuel Gibson against the Hon. James Henry Young (Minister for Works) as nominal defendant to recover compensation for personal injuries sustained by him, owing, as he alleged, to the careless and unskilful management by the defendant's servants of a steam engine. His Honor granted a nonsuit on the ground that the Government owed no legal duty to a prisoner to maintain or manage an engine so that it would not cause injury to him. Plaintiff now appealed on the ground that his Honor was in error.

The facts of the case were stated yesterday.

Mr. Mason having replied to the arguments of Mr. Pilcher, Q.C., judgment was reserved.

(Before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Simpson, and Mr. Justice Cohen.)

AN EJECTMENT ACTION.

Moyes v. Lawrence.

Mr. Wise, Q.C., and Mr. James, instructed by Mr. H. White, appeared for the appellant, Augustus Lawrence, the defendant in the action Moyes v. Lawrence, and moved to make absolute a rule nisi calling upon the plaintiff to show cause why the verdict in that action entered for the plaintiff should not be set aside and entered for the defendant, or to have a new trial granted on the following grounds:—That the voluntary conveyance was void by 27 Elizabeth, chapter 4, as against the agreement for the sale, and passes no title to the trustees under the settlement or to plaintiff as existing trustee of the settlement, and that the plaintiff made no demand before action for the possession of lands claimed by the plaintiff. Dr. Sly and Mr. Mocatta, instructed by Messrs. Carruthers and MacDonald, appeared for the plaintiff to show cause. This action, which was brought by William Moyes, existing trustee under the will of the late Joseph Graham, against Augustus Lawrence to recover possession of certain land in the Graham's Bush Paddock subdivision, Marrickville, was tried before Mr. Justice Owen on March 13, when, by consent, a verdict was entered for the plaintiff, with leave for the defendant to move to enter a verdict for him, the Court to draw inferences from facts. It was admitted that Graham in 1871 made a settlement of which plaintiff is the existing trustee. Ten years later Graham, the settlor, agreed to sell the land in dispute to the defendant. It was admitted that no notice of demand of possession was given prior to the action, and that defendant entered into possession under an agreement, and had remained in possession ever since.

The Court held that the defendant in this case, if he relied upon any right under the agreement of 1881, must go to the court which could give him relief, the only court which could give him relief, the Court of Equity. The settlement of 1871 being voluntary Graham had power by conveyance duly executed to defeat the settlement, and that was the only way it could be defeated, that was to say by way of sale or lease, and it must be for value. The rule must be discharged, with costs.

(Before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Owen, and Mr. Justice Simpson.)

ALLEGED TRESPASS.

Lewis and others v. Municipal District of Yass.

Mr. Broomfield, instructed by Messrs. Curtiss and Barry (agents for Mr. F. P. Brennan, of Yass), appeared for the defendants in support of a motion to make absolute a rule nisi to set aside the verdict for the plaintiffs and for a new trial; Dr. Sly, instructed by Messrs. Sly and Russell, appeared for the plaintiffs to show cause. The action, which was tried at the end of November last before Mr. Justice Cohen and a jury of four, was brought by George James Lewis, Thomas Brown, and others, trading as Brown and Co., of Sydney, against the Municipal District of Yass to recover compensation for alleged trespass upon an hotel in Yass, and conversion of certain goods. It appeared that on October 5, 1897, the Municipal District of Yass recovered a verdict of £17 17s against Helen Graham, licensee of the Royal Hotel, Yass, for amount of gas rates due. About a year previously Mrs. Graham had obtained a loan from the plaintiffs in order to purchase the goodwill, &c., of the hotel, and she gave as security a bill of sale over the property. Early in October, 1897 plaintiffs sent an employee named Hirst to Yass, and on the morning of the 7th of that month the license of the Royal Hotel was transferred to him. On the same day Helen Graham's name was taken down from the hotel, and Hirst's substituted. On the afternoon of October 7 the Municipal District of Yass issued execution for the amount of the judgment recovered against Helen Graham, and put a bailiff in possession of the stock and furniture in the hotel. This was the trespass complained of, and the defence was that when the execution took place the goods were in the actual or ostensible possession of Helen Graham. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiffs with damages £127. The defendants now appealed on the ground that his Honor wrongly admitted evidence, and was in error in his direction to the jury on certain points.

The court held that the argument of Mr. Broomfield, based on his reading of the 32nd section of the Small Debts Act, that inasmuch as plaintiffs did not seize the property over which they held a bill of sale immediately at the expiration of the year which terminated on October 6, 1897, they must be taken to have relinquished ownership of the property, and have handed it over, so far as they were concerned, for the benefit of whatever creditors Mrs. Graham might possess, was wrong. What that section really meant was that the bill of sale gave protection against everyone for a year, and that at the end of that year the protection was not to be renewed. But a bill of sale could not be got rid of, and the holder, when the year had expired, could even then go in and take possession of the goods under the bill of sale, provided no person went before him. But if any person did go in before him, then the bill of sale holder would lose his right. The second argument of Mr. Broomfield's, based on Thompson v. Da Lino, was not applicable to the case. The rule must be refused with costs.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Owen.)

A DISPUTE ABOUT CHURCH LANDS.

Bishop of Goulburn v. Rossi.

Mr. Hanbury Davies, instructed by Messrs. Pigott and Stinson, for Messrs. Betts and Son, of Goulburn, appeared for the applicant, the Lord Bishop of Goulburn. The respondent, Francis Robert Lewis Rossi, appeared in person. The statement of claim set out that by Crown grant of June 19, 1843, 40 acres of land at Goulburn were granted to Francis Nicholas Rossi and others upon trust for the appropriation thereof as a glebe annexed to St. Saviour's Church. The trustees in course of time all died, and the respondent then, with others, purported to act as duly appointed trustees. In 1887 the Commissioner for Railways resumed a portion of the 40 acres, and afterwards the compensation moneys payable in respect thereof came into the hands of the respondent. Prior to 1889 the Commissioner for Railways resumed another portion of the 40 acres, and the compensation paid in respect of that was also received by the respondent. In 1893 an equity suit was instituted against the respondent, in consequence of which it was decreed that the respondent and the others who purported to act with him as trustees had not been legally appointed as successors to the original trustees. The Court later on appointed the Bishop of Goulburn and his successors to be trustees of the property. The applicant thereupon demanded from the respondent an account of his dealings with the glebe and of the moneys received by him in respect thereof, but the respondent had not furnished them. The applicant declared that the respondent had received in respect of the land £125 and £150, which sums he should be ordered to pay over to the applicant with interest. He also asked for an order that accounts be taken having relevance to all investments made of the moneys by the respondent, and that the applicant might be given such other relief as the nature of the case might require. Respondent's answering statement said he was a duly-appointed trustee of the land by virtue of an instrument under the seal of the Lord Bishop of Sydney, dated March 12, 1856, the legal estate having been vested in him as sole heir of his father, Francis Nicholas Rossi, an original trustee. He claimed that the legal estate in the glebe was still vested in him and certain other persons duly appointed. The resumptions were concurred in by him as trustee. The order of the Court vesting the property in the Bishop of Goulburn was made on an understanding that it was to be accepted as a full and final settlement of all moneys, accounts, &c., in dispute. He denied that the Bishop had any lawful control over the land or right to the moneys paid by the Crown on the resumption. He also denied that the Bishop had any authority to demand accounts, inasmuch as he contended the order of the Court making the Bishop trustee was ultra vires through being made in ignorance that the legal estate in the glebe was vested in him, the respondent. He submitted that the applicant's claim be dismissed with costs.

Evidence having been given by the respondent,

His Honor said he would make no order for payment of any sums of money until accounts had been taken, as the respondent might be able to discharge himself of the sums which he admitted having received. His decree was that accounts be taken of all money received by respondent whilst he acted as trustee and of all investments made thereof by the respondent and his dealings therewith. Further consideration together with the question of costs was reserved.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before the Registrar, Mr. A. Henry.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS.

Re John Ewing Servise. No appearance. Adjourned to May 31.

Re Charles Percy Pratt. Mr. Moffat for bankrupt. Adjourned to May 31.

Re John King. Adjourned to May 31.

Re George Spears. Mr. Proctor for bankrupt. After bankrupt was examined by the official assignee the matter was adjourned to May 17.

HEARING OF CREDITORS' PETITION.

Robert Sandeman Collum v. Elizabeth Glasbeen. Mr. Walker for petitioner, Mr. Maloney for respondent. Costs of adjournment having been paid, the matter was adjourned to May 16. The Registrar said the injunction would continue, and the petition Toohey v. Glasbeen would also be adjourned to May 16.

SINGLE MEETINGS.

Re Alfred Austin Gallagher. Mr. M. Mitchell for bankrupt. Adjourned to May 31.

Re Michael Joseph Curry. On the application of the official assignee, as steps are being taken to release the estate, the matter was adjourned to May 31.

Re George Harper Lewis and James Sanders. The former was present. Accounts not being filed the matter was adjourned to May 31.

Re John Thompson Patrick. On application of the official assignee, adjourned to June 7.

Re John Ebert. It was agreed that the bankrupt be allowed to retain his household furniture and personal effects. His public examination was declared concluded.

EXAMINATIONS UNDER SECTION 30.

Re James Alexander Skee. Public examination declared concluded.

Re Cecilia Knight, weaver. Documents required not produced. Adjourned to May 17.

SEQUESTRATIONS.

Edgar Ayres, Moss Vale, watchmaker. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

Leman Smith, Oaklands, near Corowa, farmer and carrier. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

Robert John Cochrane, 41 Glebe-road, Glebe. Mr. N. F. Giblin, official assignee.

Edward Williamson, Corrimal, bushman. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

Archie Gallaway, Corrimal, bushman. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

CREDITORS' PETITIONS.

George Alexander Grant, merchant, Broken Hill, v. Miss O'Sullivan, storekeeper, South Broken Hill. Hearing on May 19.

Felix Walter Staerker and Otto Fischer, trading as Staerker and Fischer, York-street, Sydney, warehousemen, and Flinders-lane, Melbourne, v. the estate of Mark Robinson, of Cobar. Hearing on May 9.

DISTRICT COURT.

(Before Judge Backhouse.)

A CLAIM BY THE GOVERNMENT.

Reid v. Watson.

Mr. Shand, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, appeared for Mr. George Houston Reid, described as Solicitor-General of New South Wales, to claim £11 damages from John Watson, junior, of 44 Morehead-street, Waterloo, for whom Mr. James was counsel, under instructions from Mr. W. L. Thompson. It was alleged that owing to negligent driving the defendant came into collision with a telegraph boy on horseback, and severely injured his horse, which was the property of the Government. Defendant's counsel raised the objection that the Attorney-General was the only officer empowered to sue. After hearing evidence, his Honor reserved judgment, pending decision by the Supreme Court in the case of Slowgrove v. Slowgrove, in which the same point was raised.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Thursday, May 11.

Term List.—Motions generally. Motions on notice; Prescott v. Norton, for special jury of 12. Motions, &c.: M'Sharry v. Railway Commissioners, to remit award to arbitrator; ex parte the Incorporated Law Institute, in re attachment for contempt; ex parte W. A. Winkler (prohibition), for confirmation of order; ex parte M. E. Pullen, prohibition; ex parte Archibald Campbell, certiorari; the Kauri Timber Company, Limited, v. Duncan (J. J. Power, garnishee), attachment; ex parte Moor Housum, prohibition; ex parte Andrew J. Long, quo warranto.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge.—At 10.15 a.m.: Hogg v. Kater (part heard).

Master's Office.—At 10 a.m.: Company matters. At 10 a.m.: Lunacy matters. At 11 a.m.: Municipality of Lambton and Municipalities Act, to proceed on inquiry.

Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Re Assard Brothers, bankruptcy taxation. At 12 noon: Re William L. Davis, bankruptcy taxation. At 2 p.m.: Logan v. Raper, to tax costs. At 3 p.m.: Sutton v. Sutton, bankruptcy taxation. At 3.30 p.m.: Re Elsie Fraser (an infant), to tax costs.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary.—In the matter of the appeal of Richard Trece, as public officer, &c., and the Commissioners of Taxation, 11; Howard v. Swindle, 12; Zobel v. Croudace, 2.30.

Before the Chief Clerk.—Commissioners of Taxation v. Kidman, 10.30; A.J.S. Bank, Limited, v. Keyes, 11.

In Probate.—Before the Deputy Registrar, at 11: To proceed on accounts in John Bannon, Mary Scully, Edward Taylor, James Clarke.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy, 11 a.m.—Certificate application: Alexander William Miller. Re John Lewis Allen, motion to annul sequestration order; re Jeanette Beard, motion for release of estate from sequestration. Single meeting: Re Edmund John Gray. Public examinations: Edward Hayes Symonds, Herrman Lewis, Solomon Harris Levy. Examinations under section 30: Edward Hayes Symonds, Solomon Harris Levy, Charles Cleave, H. Worthington, Bertie Ernst Nelson.

DISTRICT COURT.—Thursday, May 11.

Before Judge Backhouse, at 10 a.m.

Lark, Sons, and Co., Limited, v. Carroll, M'Intyre and another v. Hardie, Parker and others v. Byron, Minogue v. White and another, Cormack v. Gainford, Chamberlain v. Russell, Bowes v. Lucas, Pacific Fire and Marine Insurance Company v. Tindale, Laverty v. Kirkham, Kershaw and others v. Byron.

Before the Registrar in No. 2 Court.

Symonds v. Cleave, 10.30 a.m.; Jacobs ats Richards and another, 10.40 a.m.; Stevens ats Doyle, 11 a.m.

ALLEGED FRAUDS ON CIVIL SERVANTS.

THE ACCUSED COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

The whole of the sittings of the Central Police Court were taken up yesterday afternoon with hearing of charges preferred against a young man named James Francis Anderson, a clerk recently employed in the Mines Department. He was charged in the first case with having forged the name of F. S. Mance to a promissory-note for the sum of £15 and having uttered the same to John Bloom with intent to defraud on March 8 last, and within six days afterwards, on March 14, with forging the name of F. S. Mance to a promissory-note for £16 and uttering the same to Harry Alexander Berkmyre with intent to defraud. Mr. R. H. Levien appeared for the accused. It was decided to take the two charges simultaneously.

George Schachtel, an assistant to John Bloom, licensed pawnbroker in Castlereagh-street, city, stated that on March 7 last the accused went into the shop and asked for a loan on a promissory-note. Witness looked at a promissory-note for £12 which accused handed over the counter. Witness said, "You must get this endorsed." Accused then went away, and entered the shop the next day with a man who purported to be S. H. Ellis, and both signed the note.

John Bloom, a licensed pawnbroker at the above address, said he believed the accused to be the man who came to him. Accused said, "I am employed in the Mines Department," and gave as his name Frederick Stapleton Mance. It was on the strength of that representation that he advanced the accused £12. Witness subsequently made further inquiries at the Mines Department, and saw Mr. Ellis and a Mr. Mance, both employed there, and they absolutely repudiated the signatures on the note.

Henry Alexander Berkmyre, the manager of the southern branch of the New South Wales Mont de Piete Company, 262 Castlereagh-street, stated he knew the accused, having seen him in the office on March 14. He said his name was Frederick Stapleton Mance, and was employed in the Mines Department. Witness asked him what salary he was getting, and he replied, "£200 a year." Witness told him he would require to get a surety.

Samuel Defries, a financial agent, of Glenmore-road, Paddington, who knew the accused, stated that about March 12 or 14 he saw the accused at his house. Accused asked him to discount a promissory note for himself and a friend. He also made the same representations here as previously. Witness made inquiries, and the transaction did not come off.

Frederick Stapleton Mance, a clerk in the Record Branch, stated he knew the accused. He was a clerk in the Mines Department, formerly in the same branch as himself, but latterly in another branch. Witness and the accused used to sign the time-book each day, and accused could see his signature. The signature of the note bore a resemblance to his (witness's) writing.

Sydney Ellis, a clerk in the Correspondence Branch of the Mines Department, residing at Rozelle, Balmain, stated that the accused was up till recently in this department. The accused had no authority from him to sign these documents. The accused left the department several weeks ago.

On these two charges the accused was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions on May 25; bail allowed, self in £80 and two sureties of £40.

On the other charge, the accused was further charged with forging a promissory-note for £13 with intent to defraud, and uttering and passing off the same to John Bloom on March 21, 1899. Lengthy evidence was also given in this case, the accused being committed for trial also. The names attached to this promissory-note were those of Michael O'Keeffe, a clerk in the Mines Department, and W. J. Little, a clerk in the Bankruptcy Department and formerly in the Mines Department.

SYDNEY INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS.

The first half-yearly meeting of the literary society in connection with this institute was held on Tuesday evening last at 16 O'Connell-street, when the president (Mr. C. T. Starkey) occupied the chair. The reports of the hon. secretary and hon. treasurer, which were unanimously adopted, showed the society to be in a flourishing condition, the meetings having been well attended and successful. The financial position of the club was excellent. Mr. E. Sheedey was elected hon. secretary for the ensuing six months. The rules of the society were amended so as to allow clerks in the offices of members of the institute to become members of the literary society. After the conclusion of the formal business some "Random Notes" were read by Mr. F. N. Yarwood, who dealt with various matters of interest to the profession. The discussion which followed was contributed to by Messrs. C. T. Starkey, Cullen-Ward, W. H. Perry, Craig, and others. A vote of thanks to Mr. Yarwood for his paper was carried by acclamation, and the meeting terminated with the customary compliment to the chairman.

"A Willing Victim," "Bail Up," "Won't you Contribute?" are the titles of some of the interesting snapshots of Hospital Saturday that appear in this week's Mail.—Advt.

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ENGLISH MAIL NEWS.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY IN AMERICA.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY IN A FOG.

GAMBLING AT MONTE CARLO.

FEARS FOR THE POPE'S HEALTH.

The mails by the steamer Orizaba were delivered in Sydney yesterday, and from the files of English newspapers to hand the following items are extracted:—

The Washington committee which has in its hands the organisation for the civic parade for the Peace Jubilee in May has decided to take steps for the formal recognition of Queen Victoria's eightieth birthday. The parade will be held on May 24, and a committee has been appointed to wait on Sir Julian Pauncefote for the purpose of arranging an appropriate ceremony for the occasion.

The United States Consul at Dawson City states, in a report to the Washington Government, that during the winter the Klondyke miners have carried out numerous expeditions to localities reported to be very rich in gold. The majority of the expeditions, however, proved disastrous failures, and many of the miners have returned to Dawson City in a destitute condition.

Mr. Hunter, United States Minister to Honduras, has sailed to take up his post. He has been instructed formally to demand as indemnity of 25,000dol. for the murder of Frank Pears, an American. Mr. Hunter says that, if necessary, a naval demonstration will be made to compel the Honduras Government to pay the amount.

A telegram from Prague states that Field-Marshal Count Gruenne, commanding a Bohemian army corps, has been placed under medical supervision. He has given signs of eccentricity for some time past, and finally, while reviewing some troops, he jumped off his horse and embraced the bandmaster and some of the bandsmen. He has been succeeded by Count Paar.

A Reuter telegram from Paris says:—A gentleman of independent means, named Tourret, 65 years of age, was shot dead on March 31 in the Bois de Boulogne by a man named Ozouf, who thought Tourret was the President of the Republic. The murdered man is said to have borne a striking resemblance to President Loubet. Ozouf, who is 38 years of age, is believed to be insane.

A St. Petersburg correspondent of the "Daily Mail" speaks of an enormous meteor which fell into the sea off Finland on the 12th March, and he says that it becomes by Russian law the property of the Czar. It is estimated by the savants to be worth several millions of roubles. One naturally asks how large can a mass, rich in iron, be to have such a value; and how much is it going to cost to lift out of the stratum of clay which it has penetrated to a depth of 25ft.

A conflict between man and wife of unparalleled horror and ferocity is reported from Chicago. It appears that Joseph Brown ill-treated his wife for years. Her patience and forbearance being exhausted, she turned and proposed that they should fight a duel till one or the other was dead. The duel was accordingly fought in the sitting-room of their home, carving-knives being the weapons chosen for the encounter. It ended in the death of the husband. His body has five stabs. The tragedy was witnessed by the two children of the couple.

A woman who gave her name as Victoria Adams, and said she had come from London, stood for some hours before the New York residence of Mr. William Vanderbilt, who was married the day before to Miss Virginia Fair, and asked to be allowed to see the parlours. Permission was granted. It was noticed that she seemed to be very melancholy. While looking around her at the evidence of great wealth she remarked to one of the servants, "And I am penniless," and, before she could be stopped, produced a bottle of carbolic acid from her pocket and swallowed the contents. She was removed to the hospital, where she was stated to be dying.

Judgment has been delivered in the Cincinnati divorce suit in which one Charles Kraus sought a divorce because his wife had a glass eye and a false leg, of which he was in perfect ignorance at the time he married her. The Judge has held that the wife had never been asked before marriage whether she had any physical defects, and consequently there could be no positive deceit. Dealing with the legal aspect of the case he said, "It is not unlawful for woman to attract mankind with devices and attachments used to improve the work of nature. Otherwise, why should not false hair and other falsities peculiar to females be made a ground of divorce?"

President Loubet has visited his native town. The Chief Magistrate, who was accompanied by the Premier, M. Dupuy, was received by the authorities and a great crowd of people at the station. M. Loubet appeared to feel deeply the enthusiastic welcome extended to him by his fellow-townspeople. His mother, an aged lady of 86, awaited his arrival on a platform erected in front of the Mairie. Here the President left his carriage, and, ascending the platform, affectionately embraced his mother. It was a simple but touching episode, this meeting of mother and son in the midst of a gaily-decked town, with triumphal arches set up in honour of the First Magistrate of the Republic on his return to his old home. After receiving the authorities the President visited the hospital.

That terribly fatal disease, cerebro-spinal meningitis, which has caused so much alarm in America, is responsible for heavy fatalities at Omdurman. Mr. Bennet Burleigh, in a message to the "Daily Telegraph" from Cairo, reports that as a consequence all the troops have been removed from that place. The disease, it may be recollected, is said to be mainly due to the former shocking insanitary condition of the Dervish capital. Part of the troops have been sent over to Halfiyeh, and the remainder have been moved to a position on the Nile a short distance south of the town. It is intended that Omdurman shall be allowed to become a waste. There is also to be a camp and fort built near Khartoum for the accommodation of the British brigade which is expected to be ordered up next July.

A Rome correspondent of the "Daily Chronicle" says that the Pope is able to be up and about, but he cannot attempt to do his usual work. He is believed to have only said Mass once since his operation. Still less is he fit to undertake any public function, such as a Consistory for the creation of Cardinals, although there is much pressure from many quarters for the creation of a certain number of new Cardinals in lieu of many who have died. The real cause of anxiety is not the so-called "fainting fits," as to which there is undoubtedly great exaggeration. It lies in the fact that the Pope can take very little nourishment. In fact, he is carefully fed every hour or two, and by that means the physicians are able to keep him going in fair apparent health so long as there is no extra pressure. But the truth is that his life hangs by a slender thread, and unless he soon shows signs of gathering strength, which he cannot be said to have done so far, it is recognised by those who know that the lamp must flicker out before long. He may, of course, give evidence of returning vitality as the spring declares itself, for the sun here, after a season of cold winds, is now powerful. It is a mere chance, and the hopes and fears of the Vatican are much exercised from day to day to see which way the case will turn.

Signor Marconi was (says the "Pall Mall Gazette") at the South Foreland again on April 1 superintending the transmission of messages by wireless telegraphy between that point and Boulogne. A great number of messages crossed and recrossed the Channel, which was enveloped in a dense fog. During the short time the installation has been set up at the South Foreland for operations between this country and France nearly every kind of weather has been experienced—fog, high wind, and rain—and the results prove what Signor Marconi has stated, that no conditions of weather can affect the passage of the current through space. The messages were perfect in every respect, and passed without a single hitch. During the afternoon some demonstrations were given in the presence of Professor J. A. Fleming, Professor of Electrical Engineering at University College, London, who attaches the greatest importance to the value of the invention. It was pointed out that the system would be of the utmost value to shipping in cases of thick fog, and its application might, once for all, settle the difficult question of successful fog-signalling and be the means of avoiding many collisions and great loss of life. The case of the disaster on the Casquets was instanced. Just as an alarm bell can be rung from the Goodwin Lightship to the South Foreland Lighthouse or vice versa, so in the case of the Casquets or any other dangerous point, vessels could be put into communication or be warned, provided an installation were carried on board. The French authorities (says the "Westminster Gazette") are so gratified with the success of the demonstrations between Boulogne and the South Foreland that it is proposed to try the system from Paris. It is stated that the Eiffel Tower will be the French terminal, owing to its great height, 985ft., the English terminal remaining at the South Foreland. The direct distance between the two points is about 230 miles.

The financial year of the Casino of Monte Carlo closed on March 31, and when the books were made up the receipts (says the Monte Carlo correspondent of the "Standard") were found to be in advance of those of the previous year by a little more than one million of francs. The grand total of the "takings" from the tables was 24,500,000f., or not far short of one million pounds—to be exact, £980,000. To this must be added the rent from the Hotel de Paris and the Cafe de Paris, which belong to the Casino Company—600,000f., or £24,000, making the total income for the year £1,004,000. This result is remarkable considering the bad season which the French Riviera has experienced this year on account of the war scare, the typhoid at Nice, and other causes. At the end of January, in fact, the tables were more than one million of francs behindhand; but in February and March there came such a rush to Monte Carlo that the receipts not only covered the lost ground, but passed all previous records. The tables have had exceptionally good fortune this year, for there have been very few really lucky players. A wealthy colliery-owner from Yorkshire was the most consistently successful plunger, carrying away about £15,000 after three weeks' play. He seldom got up a loser. A Russian count made the most sensational coup of the season by winning 350,000f. in one night in the new private gambling-room recently established. These rooms, which are kept open until 2 and 3 in the morning, are, by the way, one of the main reasons for the increased receipts. Perhaps the most remarkable event of the season's play was the turning up of 33 no fewer than seven times in succession at one of the roulette tables; strange to say, nobody had the courage to back the number. At trente-et-quarante the record is held by a series of 17 "blacks" and 13 times "couleur." As a matter of fact, there are very few fortunes either lost or won at Monte Carlo now as there were in the old days of sensational and extravagant plunging. But there are a great many more players who go to Monte Carlo prepared to "have a flutter," and to lose £100, £500, £1000, or more, as the case may be. There is a well-known London moneylender, for instance, who goes to Monte Carlo every year, and seldom loses less than £10,000. That is his limit, and when he has lost it he stops playing. So also with a noted Frankfort banker and many other habitues of the gambling-rooms. It is from this ever-increasing class of "regular customers" that the bank makes its money.

Telegrams from Dawson City (says the New York correspondent of the "Morning Post") state that 17 prospectors in one of the mining camps in American territory have been murdered by a band of Indians. The Indians were bent on plunder, and they had reason to suspect that their victims were about to leave for the United States with fortunes. The murder seems to have been well planned, for it was carried out with much secrecy, the Indian attackers escaping. As soon as the outrage was discovered a force was formed, and the miners started out to avenge their comrades. After scouring the entire neighbourhood they returned empty-handed. The district where the murder was committed is very badly policed, and it was probably selected by the Indians on that account. As an outcome of the murder there is a determined cry from all parts of the American territory that the Government shall provided adequate protection. A troop of United States cavalry is now on its way for police service in Alaska, and when it arrives the present tension will be greatly relieved. Mr. M'Cook, United States Consul at Dawson, adds that gold is being readily mined and fortunes are being rapidly amassed. He lays stress on the fact that, with but few exceptions, all the fortunes have been made by men who reached Klondyke with some ready capital. He says that it is practically impossible to go through the first months of preliminary prospecting without having means of subsistence, and advises all who cannot supply themselves with adequate outfits to remain at home.

THE DREYFUS SCANDAL.

EXTRAORDINARY REVELATIONS.

During the past few weeks the London correspondent of the "Sydney Morning Herald" has cabled particulars respecting the disclosures made by the Paris "Figaro" in the evidence given in secret in "l' affaire Dreyfus." The "Pall Mall Gazette" of April 7 to hand publishes the evidence given in regard to the startling admissions made by Colonel Henry who, it will be remembered, committed suicide when the case against Esterhazy assumed a serious phase a few months ago. The Paris correspondent of the "Pall Mall Gazette" telegraphed on April 6 as follows:—

The evidence of M. Bertulus, examining magistrate, before the Criminal Division of the Court of Cassation, is published by the "Figaro" to-day. The witness deposed that in the course of his investigation into the authorship of the telegrams signed "Blanche" and "Esperanza," he interrogated Colonel Picquart, who finished by inspiring him with confidence, his statements being corroborated. General Gonse had asked the witness to inform Colonel Picquart that his military career was dependent on his attitude as a witness at the Zola trial.

M. Bertulus described the police raids which were made at the residence of Mlle. du Pays, and the circumstances leading up to the arrest of Esterhazy. Mlle. du Pays admitted that she was the author of the "Esperanza" telegram, and declared that Colonel du Paty de Clam was the author of the telegram signed "Blanche;" but she afterwards withdrew these statements. The witness had called the attention of Colonel Henry to the word Bale and a name beginning with "G," which were found in the papers seized at the residence of Mlle. du Pays. These two words were a revelation to the witness, who saw that they constituted proof that Esterhazy had accomplices in the Intelligence Department.

Colonel Henry, perceiving that the witness had made an important discovery, made no attempt to discuss the matter. He acknowledged that the word "Bale" referred to a certain journey which he had made with Captain Lauth, in order to see a certain "G.," and ended by confessing that the authors of the "Blanche" and "Esperanza" telegrams were Esterhazy and Colonel du Paty de Clam.

"He asked me," continued M. Bertulus, "to say nothing on the subject until he had reported to General Roget at the Ministry of War, declaring that that General would not hesitate to call on me. I replied that I should be in my office until 6 in the evening. I said to Henry, 'Be sure and tell him everything that has passed between you and me.' Henry rose to go, but remembering our old and courteous relations, I said to him just as he was leaving the room, 'That is not all. Esterhazy and Du Paty de Clam are guilty. Let Du Paty blow his brains out this evening, and let justice take its course against Esterhazy the forger. But there is still a danger. That danger is yourself. I have had in my hands a later signed Esterhazy. This letter is not the only one of the sort. In his letter, addressed to Jules Roche, Esterhazy, who was furnishing that deputy with certain information regarding certain irregularities at the Ministry of War, paints a detestable picture of your character and qualifications. He says that you are in straits, that you are in his debt, and all this goes back to a period long previous to the Dreyfus trial.' I pointed out to him that if such documents fell into the hands of his enemies, the gravest consequences might ensue, and that some of them might go so far as to allege that he supplied Esterhazy with documents."

At such a supposition Henry collapsed in his chair without saying a word. Then suddenly he rose, and came towards me with his arms extended. He took my head in his hands and kissed me warmly on the forehead and cheeks, repeating several times: "Save us! Save us!" I led Henry back to his chair and waited for his sobs to become less violent. After a time he exclaimed, as if waking from a dream, "Esterhazy is a scoundrel." Without giving him time to continue, supposing that he intended to do so, I remarked, "Esterhazy is the author of the bordereau, is he not?" Henry did not say yes or no. He merely repeated, "Do not insist—do not insist; the honour of the army before everything." I did not think it necessary to take further advantage of Henry's terrible state of trouble and emotion. He implored me in the full sense of the word.

In reply to further questions M. Bertulus stated that Colonel du Paty de Clam affirmed, when interrogated by him, that Dreyfus was guilty, but said that he believed Picquart was an honest man. M. Bertulus said he did not know who the veiled lady was. He thought she was none other than Du Paty de Clam himself; but the latter declared to him that she was a relation of Picquart.

CHRONIC DYSPEPSIA, PERSISTENT PAIN, AND OPPRESSION.

A CUMBROUS LOAD LIFTED.

THE CASE OF MRS. ELIZABETH LAMBERT.

(Specially Reported.)

The reporter was detailed to visit Mrs. Elizabeth Lambert and ask her concerning the complaint from which she was once a sufferer, and also to ascertain if the report which had come to hand of her cure was accurate. Mrs. Lambert resides in Station-street, Penrith, N.S.W.

"Certainly it is correct," replied Mrs. Lambert, when questioned. "I was cured of severe and chronic indigestion in quite a remarkable manner. I found that I began to get a very uncomfortable feeling after eating. To avoid this distress I paid the most careful attention to my diet; but the oppression was still to be felt after each meal. Slowly my ailment ripened till I could feel a hard lump at the bottom of my chest. Time would pass, and still the lump remained there undigested. Hours afterwards it would appear to digest, and then wind would begin to collect, which distended my body very much in the region of my heart and lungs."

"Was there much pain?"

"Very great pain, I can assure you. I never completely got rid of the pain, although I waited hours without daring to eat. Of course, I was obliged to eat something to keep alive, and although I only ate a little bit of bread, perhaps no bigger than the end of my thumb, even that would bring on intense pain immediately. The wind generated owing to bad digestion, and would seem to move about from place to place, and I only got a little ease from the pain caused by this flatulence by pressing my hands hard against my side. A sour and bitter fluid often came up into my mouth, causing me to have a feeling of sickness. Night time was the worst. I could hardly get a minute's sleep owing to the persistent pain and oppression on the chest, and in the morning I was so weary, worn, and fagged, that I could scarcely get out of bed, and when up I was too drowsy to get through my housework."

"Did you take nothing for it?"

"Yes, I took several things; but I couldn't find anything that gave me ease. Indigestion troubled me so much, and its long continuance weakened me very much. I always felt heavy and languid, and dispirited, and tired of everything. I thought I should never get relief, but at last I heard of Clements Tonic, and it was so well recommended that I bought some, and in less than a week's time I began to get the benefit. By that time I could eat without half the pain and inconvenience that a light meal used to inflict, and the flatulence all went within the first week, too. When lying in bed at night (and I always took a dose of Clements Tonic just before bedtime) I felt as though a cumbrous weight had been lifted from my chest. My sleep was then grateful and as light as a child's, and when morning came I rose with a decided appetite and could get about all day without being oppressed by that heavy feeling of weariness and lassitude. The last symptom to go was the feeling like a lump in the chest after eating, but by taking my Clements Tonic regularly this was finally removed, and I could claim to be in perfect health."

"May we make use of your testimony?"

"With pleasure. I owe my return to health to Clements Tonic, and I don't mind anyone knowing it, and I hope that any information I may have given may prove of benefit to other sufferers."

STATUTORY DECLARATION.

I, Elizabeth Lambert, of Station-street, Penrith, in the colony of New South Wales, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I have carefully read the annexed document, consisting of five folios and consecutively numbered from one to five, and that it contains and is a true and faithful account of my illness and cure by Clements Tonic, and also contains my full permission to publish the same in any way; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of an Act made and passed in the ninth year of the reign of her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the more effectual abolition of Oaths and Affirmations taken and made in the various Departments of the Government of New South Wales, and to substitute Declarations in lieu thereof, and for the suppression of voluntary and extra-judicial Oaths and Affidavits."

ELIZABETH LAMBERT.

Declared at Penrith this ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, before me,

W. FULTON, J.P.—Advt.

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PROGRESS IN MEDICAL SCIENCE.

CASES OF HEROIC SURGERY.

The most important occurrence in the British medical world during 1898 (says the "Pall Mall Gazette"), because of high promise of result in the future, is the donation by Lord Iveagh of £250,000 to the Jenner (late British) Institute of Preventive Medicine. The significance of this great act of generosity in its medical bearings has not been brought out. Lord Iveagh expressly desired to give the money where its employment would best supply the needs of suffering humanity by relieving their physical ills. Acting, as we happen to know, upon the best advice obtainable in such matters, he resolved to endow the Jenner Institute. It is certain that a few years ago he would have been recommend to found a hospital, either a general one for the relief of the sick poor, or a special one where the efforts of medical men would be concentrated upon the endeavour to find a specific remedy. But, nowadays, with the wide recognition of the germ origin of most diseases, it has become obvious that the most rational way of eliminating disease from a community is to study all possible methods of prophylaxis. Many diseases that have a definite and ascertained death-rate have also a definite and ascertained etiology. Acting upon a knowledge of the causes of such diseases, their sporadic outbursts and their devastating spread can be repressed; but no amount of medical skill is yet able to save the lives of that percentage of persons who, having contracted these diseases, proceed to die of them. The point that was brought before the public in a startling way at the close of 1898 by Lord Iveagh's noble gift is that we must look to preventive medicine in the widest sense of the phrase for our chief developments in medical science.

The institution of a National Association for the Prevention of Consumption is a highly practical recognition of this truth. We have here a real step forward, while it will be noted that the association proposes to attain its grand aim, the elimination of consumption from among us, by attacking the disease at both ends. By insisting upon the infectiousness of phthisis and upon the absolute necessity for employing measures against its spread similar to those usually adopted against contagion, the association will protect a great number of persons who are now exposed as a matter of daily course to the gravest risks. By founding sanatoria for the open-air treatment of consumption and tuberculous disease, it aims not only at prevention but cure. The meeting held at Marlborough House under the presidency of the Prince of Wales to further the objects of the association should certainly prove a splendid introduction of its beneficent objects to the public; and the bright example of the London partners of the Messrs. Wernher and Beit, who have undertaken to erect and equip a sanatorium at an estimated expense of £20,000, the construction and management of which is to be under the guidance of the association, calls for and should speedily find followers. It is a particular object of this association to educate the public as to the way in which tuberculosis is spread by contagion and by infected food-stuffs, and the sensible attitude of the medical men more intimately associated with the movement deserves a word of commendation. They have shown themselves ready to work with the public, and more, to allow that the help of an intelligent public is the only way to carry on a national movement. This is as it should be, but it is not as it always has been. Medical men, when a medical question is before the public, are a little prone to take up the position that they only can understand the pros and cons, and to imply that if the public will follow their lead without arguing the public will find themselves in the right. The public have been known to resent this attitude on the part of their medical advisers, so that we record with pleasure its absence from the councils of the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption. If the various points in the vaccination question had been treated in years gone by as fit subjects for general discussion, some of the difficulties which have lately arisen, and which are not yet removed, would never have presented themselves.

The Vaccination legislation of 1898 has pleased no one. Was the new Act conceived to please the anti-vaccinators? If so it has failed, for they do not think well of it. Was it enacted in the interests of vaccination? If so it must be confessed that it has done little or nothing to restore public confidence in the procedure. And this unfortunate position is largely due to the vacillation that has been patiently displayed during the conduct of the measure through Parliament. The Act is a good one in many ways, and has been unjustly abused by persons who have not understood its purport and the calls that existed for legislation more or less on the lines that have been followed. As a result of the final report of the Royal Commission on Vaccination, which sat for seven years, and considered the subject with impartiality from all points of view, unreasonable and reasonable alike, it was felt by the Government that a new Act was necessary. To disregard the recommendations following upon such exhaustive inquiry would be to stultify the whole system of Royal Commissions. The new Act by raising the age limit for primary vaccination from three to six months did well, for in this way the process of vaccination is freed from suspicion of causing any of those not infrequent deaths in tiny mortals, the reasons of whose decease remain unexplained. But it should be remembered that at three months an infant is less susceptible to pain and more easily kept quiet than it is at six months, when there is some power and control over the limbs, and when the floor becomes an inviting place for crawling.

The most important innovation of the Act is the use of glycerinated calf-lymph. The use of this lymph should absolutely do away with all chances of other infection than the designed vaccinal virus reaching the child's system. The risk of such a terrible mischance in the old method was small but genuine, so that the procedure which now comes into force has the strong recommendation of safety. It was well and fully explained by Dr. S. Monckton Copeman in his Milroy Lectures for 1898, delivered before the Royal College of Physicians of London. The "conscience clause" seems to have failed in its object. It was generally understood to be the belief of many who favoured the insertion of this clause that the loss of all chance of wearing the martyr's crown would remove the popular objection to vaccination, but the belief by this time is seen to be untenable. One point has been made clear by the story of the vaccination legislation of 1898: scientific matters do not make good subjects for party debate and party legislation. Every one, as a result of the proceedings in the two Houses, now considers that a conscientious objector and an anti-vaccinator are synonymous terms; yet the most important members of the Royal Commission which reported in favour of a "conscience clause" were strong believers in the value of vaccination.

The greatest surgical exploit of the year seems admittedly to have been the removal of the complete human stomach with benefit to the patient. The successful surgeon was Dr. Carl Schlatter, of Zurich, who performed this tremendous operation upon a woman of 56 years of age as a last resource in a case of dense malignant growth. The procedure, heroic as it sounds, was attended with very little inconvenience to the patient, and proves incontestably the progress that has been made in recent years in operative procedure. Clearly the gastro-intestinal tract is tolerant enough of interference, and even to great modification if treated intelligently. But until the work of Lister and Koch gave a reason for and a shape to the precautions to be taken, a large proportion of deaths followed as a rule upon operations where the abdomen was opened, and still more where any portions of the viscera were removed. An American surgeon, Dr. Brigham, of San Francisco, performed the same operation shortly after Dr. Schlatter's feat was recorded. Dr. Brigham's patient, also a woman, was some 10 years older than Dr. Schlatter's patient, but she, too, made a good recovery. It is to be hoped that use will be made in the laboratory of these two cases of vivisection, for the opportunities afforded by them for the study of physiological problems are unique. Dr. Schlatter's patient is being carefully watched, but any observations that are made in her case on the processes of digestion when the influences of the gastric juice have been eliminated would be more than doubly valuable if confirmed by independent notes from America. Moreover, physiologists are human, and however much they may shrug their shoulders at some of their shriller accusers, they do not like being called callous torturers. These women have been made the subjects of vivisection for their own good, and no one can call their surgeons anything but their saviours.

This summary of the progress of medicine during 1898 has been confined to the notice of matters of public importance to the exclusion of the domestic details of the medical profession at home or abroad; and one more note should be added. The plague still unfortunately abides in India, and so far investigations into its origin have had no conclusive result. That the ordinary sanitary measures necessary to ensure the cleanliness and ventilation of dwelling-houses conduce to the elimination of the pestilence has been proved, but this fact was notorious before the splendid city of Bombay became an object-lesson. A thoroughly well-chosen commission, on which the latest and most special bacteriological skill is represented, as well as official discrimination and general medical knowledge, is now holding systematic inquiries upon the spot, and much is looked for from its labours.

WOMANHOOD SUFFRAGE LEAGUE.

The monthly meeting of the Womanhood Suffrage League was held in the School of Arts last night. Mrs. Neville Griffiths (the president) occupied the chair. The lecture hall was well filled. Miss Rose Scott announced that she and Mr. Fegan, M.L.A., had had an interview with the Premier, who had promised to co-operate with Mr. Fegan during the next session of Parliament in the passage of the Women's Suffrage Bill. In fact, the Premier had promised to treat Mr. Fegan as a colleague in regard to the measure.

Professor MacCallum delivered a lecture entitled "Madame de Stael and the Movements of her Time." He gave a character pourtrayal of Madame de Stael, explaining the circumstances which led to her marriage and the literary associations which had formed her temperament and taste. She was a woman who found all her joy in what she loved. Her later literary productions were the works of a singularly rich and powerful mind. Napoleon regarded her as a rival; at all events he would not tolerate a woman who would not accept his domination. Notwithstanding all her persecutions she had never bent to his power. Professor MacCallum paid high eulogies to Madame de Stael's "Considerations on the French Revolution" and to her "Essay on Germany." She was, he said, a creature of her times. Beginning with the sentimentalism of Rousseau and the negations of the eighteenth century thought, it was not strange that she should at times pursue an erratic course. But she was always learning, and made her very mistakes the instrumentality of her further advance. She was the apostle of progress, not only for herself but for the race as well, and after the revolutions and the reactions in France her desire was not to stop the wheels of the movement. She breathed a higher civilisation, a deeper thought, and a larger literature than the world had seen.

At the conclusion of the lecture a discussion took place, and Professor MacCallum was accorded a hearty vote of thanks.

TRAINING HORSES TO FACE FIRE.

THE MORAL EFFECT OF SMOKELESS POWDER.

An interesting article in the April number of "Pearson's Magazine" by Mr. Levin Carnac describes in detail the training that is given to horse-soldiers and their horses in the British, the Continental, and the United States armies. Describing how cavalry horses are broken to face fire, the writer says:—In the British Army the four-legged recruits are drawn up in a ring round an instructor who fires a pistol. Some take the flash and report very quietly, and these are soon passed on to severer trials while the others have lesson after lesson until they are quite convinced that there is no danger in them, and before long you might fire a seven-pounder within a yard of them and they would hardly look round. After this they are taught to face fire—that is to say, to gallop fearlessly up to to a line or square of infantry blazing away with their rifles, and to charge batteries of quick-firing guns. Of course, only blank cartridge is used, and so, to a trained horse going into battle for the first time, there is no difference between the harmless thunder of the manœuvre and the death-dealing storm which sweeps over a battlefield. The poor brute only learns what the difference really is by bitter experience.

When smokeless powder came into general use, it was found that in many cases horses which would face the smoke of guns using black powder without flinching, flinched and shied at the flash and roar unaccompanied by smoke. Continental opinion is somewhat divided as to the moral effect of smokeless powder on men and horses, but the general conclusion seems to be that in daylight it is not more terrifying than black powder, although some hold that to see men and horses struck down by an invisible agency must necessarily be so. But it is generally agreed that the use of smokeless powder at night has a much more disturbing effect than that of the old powder, because the flashes of the guns, unobscured by smoke, are a great deal more vivid. The fear thus inspired can, however, be overcome by training; but there is another fear which must, in the nature of the case, be felt for the first time on the battlefield, and that is the often uncontrollable terror produced both in men and horses by the whistling of bullets and the screaming and banging of shells. Some authorities have, indeed, said that since the introduction of smokeless powder and the great increase in the range and accuracy of weapons, it would be impossible to keep cavalry in hand under the fire of modern artillery, but this is probably an exaggeration.

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.

WOOLLAHRA.

The last meeting of the Woollahra Council was held on the 8th instant. The Mayor (Alderman D. Davis, M.L.A.) presided. There were also present—Aldermen T. Magney, E. W. Knox, R. Teece, G. Dyson, W. F. Latimer, G. Norton-Russell, T. Fairweather, J. Thompson, W. J. Trickett, W. Bell, and the council clerk (Mr. C. A. Vivian). The borough engineer reported that during the month the following works had been carried out:—Ordinary street repairs, kerbing, and guttering, New South Head-road and Edgecliff-road, and wood-kerbing on Darling Point-road; extension of pipe drain on the Harbour View Estate (Harkness's land). Alderman Knox moved,—"That the resolution passed at the last meeting on the motion of Alderman Bell relative to the termination of the engagement of Mr. Haycroft, borough engineer, be and is hereby rescinded." After discussion the motion was lost. Alderman Latimer moved,—"That applications be invited by advertisement from persons competent to fill the position of overseer for the borough, such applications to state the remuneration required." Carried. Alderman Latimer moved,—"That it be intimated in such advertisement that applications must be sent in on or before the 20th instant." Carried. Alderman Latimer moved,—"That in the opinion of this council it is desirable that the engineer be paid up to the end of June next, and that it be intimated to him in writing to-morrow that his services will not be required after Monday, the 15th instant." Alderman Bell moved,—"That the words 'be granted leave of absence from the 15th instant to June 30' be inserted after the word 'to-morrow.'" Alderman Trickett seconded the amendment, which was added to the original motion and carried. Alderman Latimer moved,—"That the gas lamp now on the northern corner Ocean and Forth streets be removed to the southern corner at the junction of those streets, and that a bracket lamp now on an awning almost opposite in Ocean-street be discontinued." Carried. On the motion of Alderman G. Dyson it was decided to extend the time for receiving tenders for road-making, as called, for a period of three weeks.

MANLY.

The Manly Council met on May 9, when the Mayor (Alderman W. H. Fletcher) was in the chair, and there were also present—Aldermen F. C. Passau, B. Keenan, E. Towns, Owen Carroll, J. F. Walker, J. B. Meyer, E. W. Quirk, and H. E. Stevenson. The assessors (Messrs. T. C. Haylock and John J. Lough) made a final report, which stated that their estimated assessment of £53,100 had been reduced, on appeal, to £52,480, and their estimate of revenue (at 1s in the £) of £2555, to £2624, being an increase over last year of £120 per annum. The report was considered satisfactory. The Port Jackson Co-operative Steamship Company, Limited, wrote that to accede to the council's request to contribute funds for the maintenance of municipal reserves would be ultra vires, and regretted its inability to assist. The Mayor then stated that, with Mr. Dugald Thomson, M.L.A., he intended to wait on Mr. Carruthers, Minister for Lands, to ascertain if the council would be permitted to erect a tollbar at Fairy Bower, and refreshment kiosks in various parts of the reserves, as suggested. Should the Minister negative the proposal, he (the Mayor) would move that no more ratepayers' money be spent upon the reserves so long as the council was reducing its expenditure. The postal authorities wrote that they would, as requested, fix a post-box at the corner of North Steyne and Middle Harbour-road. Mr. Dugald Thomson, M.L.A., wrote that the Department of Justice had communicated with him re the proposal to establish a court of petty sessions in Manly to the effect that the present stipendiaries could not undertake any addition to their work, and a Manly court would mean a new magistrate. It was resolved on the motion of Alderman H. E. Stevenson to draw up a petition praying for the establishment of a local court, have it largely signed, and presented to the Minister for Justice. The engineer reported 1,671,875 gallons of water pumped in two weeks; level of reservoir 64in. below the sill. Referring to the St. Patrick's College claim to be connected to the new sewer, he stated that all that institution's drains must be relaid, its plumbing remodelled, and its sanitary fittings modernised. The finance committee added to its former recommendation respecting the labour employed by the council a rider that for the present the inspector of nuisances and the men be placed under the direction of Mr. Robertson, the engineer. The seal of the council was attached to a document giving collateral security over the rates for a loan of £4000 covering matured debentures.

RANDWICK.

At a meeting of this council on May 9 the Mayor (Alderman Theo. Powell) presided, and the following were also present:—Aldermen J. A. I. Perry, T. B. Perry, H. Willis, J. G. Carter, F. R. Clarke, J. Bondock, and Hincks. The inspector reported that he had impounded 14 head of cattle and five horses, and had obtained two convictions for milkmen selling adulterated milk. The assessors, Messrs. R. H. and F. A. Palmer, sent in their final report of valuations, showing a total decrease of £2310 2s 6d compared with last year, equivalent to a reduction in general rates of £115 10s. The West Ward was valued at £34,196, an increase of £423; South Ward at £19,265, a decrease of £1261; Middle Ward at £24,977, a decrease of £45; and Coogee Ward at £7318, a decrease of £1425. The total assessed value of the borough was £85,956. The treasurer reported that £70 11s 3d had been spent on works during the fortnight, making £510 expended since February. Correspondence was received and dealt with as follows:—From the Department of Lands, drawing attention to the trespasses on the public reserves vested in the council, and asking them to take action. From the Board of Health advising council that pamphlets giving full instructions with reference to prevention of typhoid and other infectious diseases, and hints on isolation, &c., were available for distribution. The Rev. Father Tresna, in a long letter, applied for repairs to roads and footpaths leading to the Sacred Heart College, Kensington. Mr. James Huddart, who is building in the district, sought for immediate attention to the bad state of Orange-street, as at the western end he "had to plough through a mountain of sand." Mr. Fred. Fewings wrote complaining of carters leaving large stones on footpath through the quarry in Susan-street. Another letter the Mayor said he would not read as it was not written in proper language. This brought the writer, who was in the room, to his feet, asking as a matter of privilege to speak; but the Mayor turned to the inspector of nuisances and ordered him "to do his duty." Alderman H. Willis said, "Your conduct is most extraordinary," and Alderman Clarke said he was going to move that the letter be placed in the waste paper basket when the Mayor adjourned the council.

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MINING IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

THE NERRIGUNDAH, TINPOT, AND BAMBO FIELDS.

(BY OUR SPECIAL MINING REPORTER.)

The combined localities mentioned above comprise some of the old alluvial fields of the colony, where much gold was won as far back as 40 years ago. The output, however, has gradually fallen off, until at present it is almost next to nothing. Every ravine and watercourse in the gulf country of Nerrigundah has contributed gold, and has doubtless fed the Turros River, into which all the watercourses empty, with a good deal of gold. Portions of this river have recently been taken up for dredge-mining purposes; but I am unable to state anything as to the chances of success, as I only saw the river where it is crossed at Urabadalla en route for the Gulf country. The depreciation in the amount of alluvial gold recovered has given rise to reef-mining, and I find that during the past 12 months much increased activity has been displayed. Several local spurts have taken place of recent years; but none of them was of long duration. The one cry of the place has been want of outside capital. In 1896 some 960oz. of gold were recovered from alluvial and 43oz. from reef-mining. In 1897 the yield was 947oz. from alluvial and 60oz. from reef-mining. In 1898 the situation was reversed. Between 700oz. and 800oz. were won from reefing, and only 600oz. from alluvial. Still the total output was a largely increased one. The present year will show perhaps the smallest alluvial output since the discovery of the field, whilst from reefing the yield will probably double that of the previous year. There are no new places where it is likely alluvial deposits will be found. On the other hand, there are many parts where it is likely reefs may be discovered. Like the whole of the Southern Coast district, the country about the Gulf is frightfully rough, consequently exploration must necessarily be slow and costly. The country is mostly silurian slates, and there are innumerable reefs in many directions in these rough, rugged mountains. The belt is an immense one, and extends north and south many miles. It is a well-known fact that the loams and many of the quartz veins in these ranges carry gold, but there is a great difficulty in getting over the country with provisions and mining necessaries on account of the bad tracks. This has, no doubt, prevented prospecting to a very large extent. The reefs now being worked are all fissure veins which cut across the strata of the country—an excellent sign of permanency. The trend of the reefs is mostly east and west in beautifully stratified slate country. This is particularly noticeable at Bambo, where the principal work is going on, but it nevertheless holds good at other parts of the district. There the development of reefs depends very much upon their richness at the surface. In the past no show has been worked unless it gave payable results from the start consequently there are a good many payable "propositions" idle for the want of a little capital.

Immediately to the south-west of the town local people are developing a series of small quartz veins, some of which are very rich, but very erratic in their course. A shaft is down 75ft., and the country and the veins are pitching to the west. The owners are making to deeper levels, where it is expected the country will be more settled and the veins more defined. Latty's reef at Tinpot is the "bonanza" of the district, according to the amount of ore crushed and the gold won. The property is situated about 11 miles south from Nerrigundah, and about a quarter of a mile from the eastern flank of Red Creek on the western spur of a mountain range. The Lattys have been prospecting the show for about 18 months, and have located a small vein running south-west by north-east, close to a much larger reef, the course of which is about parallel to the former. The amount of development work done at present is not much. There is a shaft from 70 to 80 ft. deep, and a small amount of driving on the larger body of stone. On the small streak three shallow test shafts have been sunk, the deepest about 50ft. The streak is a continuous one through the present workings, and carries with it the gold chute, the length of proved ground being about 70ft. The streak varies in thickness from 10in. to 2ft., and whilst it carries payable gold throughout, in some places it is phenomenally rich. From a small parcel of 13 tons 98oz. gold were obtained. Other small parcels have been crushed with equally high results. The large reef averages about 4ft., and would probably yield 1oz. per ton. Not more than about 150 tons have been crushed from the property, but from this small tonnage the results show Latty's property to be a very decent prospecting show indeed, needing only further development and machinery to place it on a regular producing basis.

Whilst Latty's show seems to be the richest, the Bombo Gold Mining Company's property is the most systematically worked. The property is a no-liability one, with a capital of £8000 in 16,000 shares of 10s each, of which 12,000 are fully paid up, the remaining 4000 being contributing. The mine is situated on the western side of one of the high-peaked Bombo ranges, into which an adit 140ft. has been driven to cut the reef, which is running east and west. From the south end of the adit to the surface a vertical shaft has been sunk 130ft. Levels have also been driven from the shaft at different places and stopes opened. Besides the levels on the reef a winze has been sunk, and the mine generally put in order for more extensive working. The reef is located in soft slate country running north and south or nearly so, forming a fissure reef channel. In places the reef is 2ft. thick, in others fully 5ft. It would average from 2ft. 6in. to 3ft. all through, and is of regular grade. The stone at the present levels is pretty free from pyrites, being in the oxidised zone; but there is evidence of a mineralised change coming in below tunnel level. However, the mine has not been extensively worked up to the present, so that there is a large body of stone still to be mined to tunnel level and on the continuation of the reef. The company owns a good area of ground, some of the western portion of which has been worked by previous people. The reef now operated upon, however, seems to be a distinct one in virgin ground, so that it has all its life before it. During the past six months a good deal of surface and underground work has been done of a development character; therefore, the crushings have been limited to 234 tons, from which 301oz. of standard gold have been won, or an average of £5 9s 3d per ton. This result was obtained by amalgamation only. The concentrates and tailings, it is estimated, contain fully 70oz. gold. Up to the present only five heads of stamps have been working, but another five were just about to be set in motion at the time of my visit, and a vanner installed for saving concentrates instead of by means of blankets. The battery is situated on Bombo Creek, about three-quarters of a mile from the mine. An aerial tram conveys the stone to the mill and works splendidly. In such rough country it would be next to impossible to convey it by any other means.

Apart from the mine under notice, the company has recently acquired another, known as the North mine, which comprises some 10 acres. On this property the company has been spending a good deal of money in shaft-sinking and adit-level driving. Since the first reef discovery by the previous owner, the present company has been rewarded by striking two others of fair thickness, each showing good gold. Further development is now proceeding, and in a short while the treatment of stone will be proceeded with. The character of the stone is similar to that of the South mine, but it is capped by a gossany material. Usually the mill is worked by water power, but at present this is prevented by the scarcity of water. Altogether the Bombo Company has a very decent property, out of which it should make some money.

BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE.

The weekly meeting of the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage was held yesterday under the presidency of Mr. Jacob Garrard. The abstract of moneys collected from July 1, 1898, to May 6, 1899, showed the amount to be £246,107 19s 11d, as against £245,688 0s 6d during the same period of the previous year, an increase of £419 19s 5d. The average daily consumption of water was shown to be 17,430,000 gallons. During the week ended on the 6th instant 984 yards of water mains were laid, 12 yards lowered, 44 yards removed, 1434 yards cleaned, and 11 hydrants fixed. An application was received from the council clerk, Redfern, requesting an extension of 804 yards of 4in. watermain in Elizabeth and Castlereagh lanes, Redfern, at an estimated cost of £270, and granted. A return was read showing that during the week ended 6th instant 1 mile 1119 yards of sewers were laid, making a total length since July 1 last of 49 miles 121 yards. The monthly return of water discharged from Prospect Reservoir during the months of April, 1898, and April, 1899, showed that the total for April, 1899, amounted to 557,765,000 gallons, and for April, 1898, 535,242,000 gallons, showing an increase for 1899 of 22,523,000 gallons. The daily average consumption for April, 1899, was 18,592,156 gallons, as against 17,841,400 gallons for April, 1898—an increase of 750,766 gallons. The average consumption per head per diem for the current month was 48·98 gallons. A return was laid on the table showing that 117 houses had been connected with the sewers in the suburbs, drainage reconstructed to seven houses in the city, plumbing work done to 11 houses in the city and to 76 in the suburbs during the week ended 6th instant. The recommendation of the engineer for an expenditure of £50 for the purpose of extending the 30in. pipe now discharging the effluent of the wool-scouring establishments at Botany into the Blackwater Creek, was adopted. The applications of T. J. Barnaby and E. Eagar for payment of portions of retention money on sewerage works at North Sydney and Ashfield respectively were granted, as was also a similar application from R. and S. Butcher in regard to work at Balmain. A letter was received from the Under-Secretary for Public Works notifying that the transfer of the North Sydney sewerage scheme would be effected at an early date. Several applications for compensation on account of construction of manholes were granted, as also were numerous applications from persons to have their premises connected to the sewers under the deferred payment system. Other formal business having been dealt with the board rose.

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THE FRANCIS-STREET NIGHT REFUGE.

THE ROYAL COMMISSION'S CONDEMNATION.

ABSENCE OF BEDS, PILLOWS, AND BATHS.

REJOINDER FROM THE COMMITTEE.

A SHELTER, A WASH, AND A MEAL.

One of the institutions with regard to which the Royal Commission on Charities penned a sweeping condemnation was the Night Refuge and Reformatory, which is situated in Francis-street, Woolloomooloo. The institution was described by the commission as consisting of a rough outbuilding where destitute men can sleep. There are no beds or furniture, it being, in fact, a bare room, on the floor of which the men lie. There are neither mattresses, beds, nor pillows, and the only covering furnished to each man is a blanket and rug, both very much worn. The room, the commissioners reported, is much too small for the number of men received into it. No baths are provided, and other appliances for personal cleanliness are scanty and insufficient. The "reformatory" work seemed to consist mainly, if not solely, of the holding of religious services. Only "decent" men are admitted, a great many being seafaring men. One meal only—breakfast—is given, which consists of dry bread and tea. The men come in at 6 o'clock in the evening, and all leave by 6·30 in the morning, with the exception of the one or two kept behind to clean the premises. The conclusion which the commission arrived at was that "The refuge is not performing any work which is not better done by other institutions in the city; and we think that places conducted on such lines as the one in question, rather than being agencies for good, tend to foster a class of men who so long as they can subsist by the aid of charity will not seek work."

Yesterday a deputation waited upon the Colonial Secretary for the purpose of placing before him a statement which had been prepared with the object of justifying the continuance of the institution. The deputation consisted of Mr. Kidd, M.L.A., the Rev. Dr. Roseby, Mr. H. P. Palser, Mr. Robt. Anderson, and Mr. J. M'Laughlin. The deputation submitted to Mr. Brunker that the only fair method of judging the work of an institution is to judge it in the light of its purpose. The Refuge originated in the desire of a number of philanthropic persons to provide a casual night's lodging for those who would otherwise have to walk the streets, or sleep in the parks, or find such shelter as they could under the rocks in the Domain. It proposed to give these unfortunates a night's shelter, the means of obtaining a decent wash, and a plain morning meal. And it proposed, above all, to bring these poor wayfarers night after night under such influences as might help them to a better life, if their lives were evil, or to a happier one if it were only unfortunate. To secure this last result it has been a constant feature in the conduct of the institution to hold a simple religious service every evening, and to allow the men to come into personal contact with a number of sympathetic helpers who would make it their business, not only to give the men wholesome counsel, but actively to befriend them. The institution provides a shelter, a wash, and a meal, on an average for about 1600 different individual men every year. It keeps that number of men anyhow out of the park and the Domain, and it brings them into contact with those who will help them to something better. No salaries are paid. All the service rendered is honorary. The experience of the committee of the institution has not suggested any reason to alter either its purpose or its methods. The commissioners seem to complain that the refuge offers its inmates so little. "It provides only a blanket and a rug." "There are no beds and no pillows." A moment's reflection would show how futile is this criticism. Bare boards can be washed clean, and so can blankets. But the "beds and pillows" of a casuals' dormitory would have to be burnt every few weeks, for reasons about which a mere hint is sufficient. Moreover, the purpose of such a refuge as this would be entirely defeated if it made any advance on the absolute minimum of shelter and of food. Each man is provided with a full pair of double blankets, which at the present moment are not new, but which have been sufficient for the season, and will be renewed when necessary. The casual visitor has the means of obtaining a decent wash. There are free baths in the Domain hard by for those who desire more. The dormitory is well ventilated, and when full it gives each man 187 cubic feet of air independent of ventilation, and there are 20 large ventilators and an open doorway. The morning meal consists of good fresh bread, served without butter, and tea. The committee deliberately limit the amount of accommodation to this minimum. The merit of the institution is that it gives just enough material help to save these people from worse conditions, and to save the community the reproach of allowing people to live under these worse conditions, while it refuses to give any such further help as would encourage men to be contented with it. As a matter of fact, the personal contact of these wayfarers with a band of earnest and good men, who visit the institution regularly, and take the opportunity of speaking to many of the men individually and interesting themselves afterwards in their welfare, has often had the happiest results. Scores of these men have been reclaimed from vice and idleness; and scores of them, less fortunate but not more vicious than the average, have been assisted to live a happier life. The commissioners make no adequate recognition of all this. The refuge is said "not to perform any work that is not better done by other institutions in the city." Does this mean that there is no place for it? So long as men are forced to sleep in the parks and in the Domain, so long the refuge has a work to do. It has stood, and, please God, it will stand, between these unhappy wayfarers and that last reproach of civic and social life. The men whose faces are oftenest seen at the Refuge are too physically weak in body and too broken and disheartened in mind to have any chance in finding any but the most casual employment. They shrink, however, from confinement in asylums. And such institutions as this, by providing them a casual refuge, often prevent their becoming a permanent charge upon Government charities. The proper way to form a just idea of the work is to visit the institution at night, when the men and those interested in them are actually there. Let anyone visit the refuge on some cold winter evening—or during a time of heavy rain—and see the eagerness with which these men beg to be admitted, and the disappointment with which numbers are turned away, sometimes as many as 30 to 50—and he will then know how to appreciate the statement that the Refuge is unnecessary. It provides a shelter for the homeless, and it "deals out bread to the hungry." In the way of material help the Refuge has never professed to do more than this. And those who receive this help—scanty as it may seem to those who are better off—are glad of it, and thankful for it.

A conversational discussion took place between members of the deputation and the Colonial Secretary relative to the subject they had come to discuss. Mr. Brunker pointed out that, whereas only £63 3s of the amount received in the form of subscriptions, donations, &c., was distributed in the form of relief, the larger sum of £66 18s was absorbed in the cost of management. He elicited in reference to the statement upon which the commission had laid stress, that only what were described as "decent" men were admitted, that only drunkards were excluded. Mr. Brunker said that the report of the commission had not been considered yet, but when it was considered the representations made by the deputation would be placed side by side with it. When the Government did consider the report of the commission it would determine what was the best course to adopt, not only in regard to that institution, but relative to the whole of the institutions with respect to which information had been collected. The commission was appointed for the purpose of furnishing the Government with information and not for the purpose of dictating to the Government what should be done. That was a responsibility which the Government would take upon itself. He had not been able to do more than glance at the report; but it had occurred to him that with the small amount of funds at their disposal it would be impossible for the committee of that institution to do all the commission expected it to do.

THE DISEASES IN STOCK COMMISSION.

A deputation representing the dairying and agricultural districts of the South coast waited upon the Colonial Secretary (Mr. J. N. Brunker) yesterday, to urge that those districts be represented upon the commission which is to be appointed by the Government to deal with the question of tuberculosis and other diseases in stock. There were present—Messrs. T. Brown, J. Love, Hugh Robb, Kiama; W. Watts (president of the Shoalhaven Agricultural Association), J. Monaghan, G. Brownlee, Freyer (Albion Park Agricultural Society), J. T. Cole and M'Fadyen (Farmers' Co-operative Society), and D. Davis, M.L.A.

Mr. Archibald Campbell, M.L.A., who introduced the deputation, and other gentlemen present contended that on the commission there should be a proportion of practical men who had been connected with the industry for some years, as the members of the deputation had been. They could only hope to obtain the best results by practical knowledge. In this respect the Northern districts were in sympathy with the Southern, and would have been represented at the deputation had time permitted.

Mr. Brunker said that as soon as he had been informed by telegram that a deputation was to wait upon him in regard to this question, he had suspended the arrangements which were being made in the appointment of the commission, as he was anxious to hear what the gentlemen engaged in the agricultural and dairying industries had to say. He thoroughly agreed with the representations which had been made, and in the constitution of the commission he realised the necessity of having practical knowledge as well as technical skill. He would give due consideration to what had been said.

A largely-attended inter-club debate on federation took place at St. Francis' Hall, Haymarket, on Monday evening, between the local debating society and that of Mount Carmel, the latter affirming "That the Commonwealth Bill is worthy of the acceptance of New South Wales." The judge, Mr. J. M'Cormack, awarded the contest on points to the St. Francis' representatives—Messrs. J. F. Cloran, W. F. Hogan, Kenealy, and Roberts—but the motion was carried in the affirmative by a large majority. Messrs. Clancy, Ginman, Gallagher, and M'Cann represented Mount Carmel.

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

SECOND DAY.

The sittings of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian churches of New South Wales were continued yesterday at St. Stephen's Church, Phillip-street. The Moderator (the Rev. W. M. Dill Macky) presided. At 10 a.m. there was a celebration of the holy communion, at which the Moderator presided. There was a good attendance of ministers and elders. The following assisted at the service:—The Revs. Dr. Laing, John Burgess (Kiama), and H. S. Buntine (Port Macquarie), and Messrs. Edward Killen, J. M. Hutton, G. Weir, and James Simmons.

The business session commenced at 11 o'clock, the Moderator presiding.

COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES.

The report of the general purposes committee, which was presented by the Rev. J. Burgess, M.A., stated that the most important matter dealt with by the committee was a proposal emanating from committees in the Congregational and Baptist Churches to join with them and others in forming a general council of Evangelical Churches on the lines of the Free Church Councils in England. The committee felt that as the assembly itself appointed representatives to the existing Council of the Churches it would be unbecoming on the part of any committee to officially recognise another body which had in the main professedly the same objects in view, and the following resolution was arrived at,—"That, inasmuch as the Presbyterian Church is at present supporting the Council of the Churches, and is represented thereupon, it does not seem desirable to take action just yet in the direction suggested in the communication." The committee suggested to the assembly that the question be discussed at some future sederunt. The Rev. J. Burgess explained the reason for the action of the committee, and stated that as the evangelical section of the Anglican Church, as well as nearly all the other Churches, were represented on the Council of the Churches, it was to be regretted that another council had been formed, especially as the matter had been hurried along without giving the supreme courts of any of the interested Churches an opportunity of expressing their views on the movement. If the Council of the Churches was not broad enough for some of those who were members, they should intimate that they did not feel comfortable there, and that they desired to separate from it.

The report was received by the assembly.

ASSEMBLY PREACHERS.

The assembly approved of the appointment of the Rev. J. Burgess, M.A. (ex-Moderator), and the Rev. J. Anderson Gardiner, B.A., to conduct divine service at St. Stephen's Church on Sunday next, before the members of the General Assembly.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Mr. Charles E. Little was appointed official auditor to the assembly.

The Rev. J. D. Landels, missionary from Malo, New Hebrides, was welcomed, and it was resolved that he be associated with the assembly during its sittings. The Moderator formally welcomed Mr. Landels.

The assembly collections were appointed to be made as follows:—Home mission (first collection), third Sabbath in February; foreign missions, last Sabbath in May; home mission (second collection), third Sabbath in August; Sabbath schools (Young People's Day), third Sabbath in October; aged and infirm ministers' fund, third Sabbath in November. It was decided that those congregations in which associations existed for home and foreign mission collections be excepted for this arrangement in so far as these particular collections were concerned.

THE HUNTER-BAILLIE PROFESSORSHIP.

The council of St. Andrew's College made the following communication:—"That in accordance with the provisions of the Hunter-Baillie bequest the council has decided to institute a professorship to be called the Hunter-Baillie Professorship of Oriental and Polynesian Languages. That for the present the duties of such professor when appointed shall be to give instruction in the Hebrew language and literature. That the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales be respectfully requested to make attendance on the lectures of this professor a necessary part of the course of study required of students preparing for the holy ministry; and that the General Assembly be also invited to nominate a suitable man whom the council may appoint to this professorship. That the salary of such professor, when appointed, shall be £500 per annum, and that the first appointment shall be for a term not exceeding three years. The council further resolves that the General Assembly be requested to authorise the theological hall committee to confer with the council with regard to all matters of common interest to the theological hall and St. Andrew's College."

The Rev. Dr. Kinross (principal of the college) explained the nature of the bequest. There was, he said, a provision in the bequest that no ordained priest belonging to the Church of Rome should be eligible for the professorship; beyond that the council were free to appoint any suitable applicant. Personally, he would have preferred that the appointment had been left in the hands of the General Assembly, but the council had no power in this direction, and it therefore invited the assembly to nominate a suitable man. It would be a great advantage to have a professor who could devote the whole of his attention to this one subject.

A long discussion ensued, and it was finally resolved to appoint a committee to deal with the whole question.

THE INVERELL MISUNDERSTANDING.

The report of the Inverell commission, which was received by the assembly, stated that after conference with the parties it found there was no possibility of effecting an amicable settlement of the differences existing in the congregation of the church at Inverell and the strained relations between the senior and junior ministers. The commission, having taken all the circumstances into account, found that it was absolutely necessary in the interests of the charge that both ministers should resign, and they were requested to demit their charge to the commission. In coming to such a conclusion, the commission desired it to be known that it cordially recognised the long and useful services of the Rev. Dr. Stirton, and the high esteem in which he was held, and also declared that the uniform testimony of all concerned was that the Rev. A. Fraser had done excellent service during his ministry at Inverell throughout the charge. These brethren acquiesced in the decision of the commission, and demitted their charge. The commission reported, with much satisfaction, that the Rev. J. S. Scott, of Maclean, having accepted a unanimous and hearty call to Inverell, had been inducted into the charge, and the commission entertained great hopes of a harmonious and prosperous future under his ministry.

EVENING SESSION.

A telegram was received from the Queensland Presbyterian General Assembly conveying fraternal greetings. The clerk was instructed to acknowledge the telegram and reciprocate the sentiments therein contained. A letter was received from Mr. David Walker (general secretary of the Y.M.C.A.), conveying greetings and inviting members of the assembly to use the rooms of the Y.M.C.A. during their sojourn in Sydney. A letter was also received from the newly-formed Evangelical Council of the Churches, conveying greetings from that body.

A memorial minute was presented to the assembly and passed, referring to the death of the late Rev. Dr. Geikie and the services he had rendered to the Presbyterian Churches. A similar memorial was passed relative to the death of the late auditor to the assembly, Mr. James Little.

THE CENTENARY THANKSGIVING FUND.

The report of the committee on the centenary of Presbyterian worship in Australia and the commencement of the twentieth century was presented and received by the assembly as follows:—

"That during the year 1900 a special evangelistic mission be held in every parish of the Church; and that in connection with this movement the Church give itself much to prayer to Almighty God for a quickening of spiritual life in all our congregations, and a great forward movement in all branches of Church work. That at a date to be fixed by the assembly (say, in April, 1900 or 1901) a Presbyterian congress be held in Sydney, at which questions of great ecclesiastical and religious importance shall be discussed, and to take part in which representative men from the home country and from the other Australasian colonies shall be invited. That in connection with such congress one great public meeting at least be held in the Town Hall, Sydney; and that a mass meeting of Sabbath-school teachers and scholars be held in the Exhibition Building or some other suitable place. That the Church set itself forthwith to raise a sum of 100,000 guineas as an offering of thanksgiving to Almighty God, such offering to be called 'The Centenary Thanksgiving Fund.' And that, although large contributions should be asked from those able to give largely, and all should be invited to give according to ability, the basis of the scheme shall be that every Presbyterian in the colony shall be, as far as possible, personally requested to give something, and that the sum expected from each communicant and adult adherent of the Church shall be one guinea a year for three years, or, preferably, sixpence a week for three years. It was resolved to recommend that the following items should be a first charge on the amount raised under the scheme, namely:—(1) The salary of an organising secretary and the expenses of carrying out the scheme (say), £1500; (2) the debts on the general funds of the Church, £7000; (3) the publication of a history of the Church (say), £500; total, £9000.

"It was further agreed to recommend that the following objects and amounts should be included in the scheme pro rata, namely:—Foreign missions (reserve), £5000; church extension, including city and suburbs, and expenses of importing ministers (capital), £10,000; assembly hall (nucleus), £5000; aged and infirm ministers' fund (capital), £3000; widows and orphans fund (capital), £3000; theological professorships (capital) £15,000; capital fund (for salary of organising secretary, capital), £10,000; capital fund, for assembly expenses (capital), £5000; bursaries for ministers' children, boys and girls, fatherless children to have a preference (capital), £5000; church and manse loan fund (capital), £2000; purchase of church and manse sites in new districts (capital), £4000; debts on churches and manses (half), £25,000; capital fund (for federal assembly expenses), £4000; total, £105,000. In the event of the sum aimed at being exceeded, such extra sum to be divided pro rata among the above schemes. The committee agreed to recommend that the percentage to be deducted for the general fund be 20 per cent. from all allocated contributions. That the sympathy and active co-operation of the members of the Women's Missionary Associations, Fellowship Associations, and Christian Endeavour Societies should be enlisted in favour of the scheme, with a view to securing collectors from their ranks. It was further recommended, in connection with the Centenary Thanksgiving Fund, that a historic roll should be published, in which the names of all who subscribed a stated amount per annum for three years should be inserted. Also, an In Memoriam section in connection with donations is recommended. This roll might afterwards be bound in with the History of the Church, when published. Also, that when appointing the executive for the working of the scheme the following names be recommended to the Assembly:—The Moderator of Assembly and clerk of Assembly, Rev. John Walker, Rev. Dr. Cameron, Rev. John Auld, Rev. T. E. Clouston, Rev. John Ferguson, Rev. Dr. Bruce, Rev. John Burgess, Messrs. John Cameron, John Kirkland, J. T. Walker, J. H. Goodlet, J. M. Allison, Dugald Thomson, M.L.A., and William Wood. The committee recommends that the Rev. John Walker be appointed the General Assembly's commissioner and the convener of the executive committee to be appointed in connection with this scheme, and that Mr. William Wood be appointed the organising secretary."

The Rev. John Walker explained the proposed scheme in detail, emphasising the fact that a special effort for quickening the spiritual life of the churches had been placed in the forefront. He thought they would agree with him that they should aim at nothing small, as there were men of large wealth in their churches who would respond heartily to such a proposal as that submitted. He saw no reason why the sum aimed at should not be exceeded.

Dr. John Marden moved as an amendment,—"That the sum of £25,000 be allocated for debts on churches, colleges, and manses, instead of churches and manses as in the recommendation. He wished, he said, to emphasise the importance of education for their sons and daughters, and he pleaded for careful consideration of his amendment.

Mr. W. Wood (financial secretary to the Assembly) spoke upon the proposal to appoint him as organising secretary to the Century Thanksgiving Fund, and pointed out the difficulty that might arise by his removal from the financial secretaryship of the General Assembly to engage in new work. His conviction was that his duty was to remain in his present position, although inclination might lead him otherwise.

The further consideration of the report was then postponed until Friday morning next.

A DEARTH OF MINISTERS.

The convener of the home mission committee (the J. Auld, M.A.) presented a report stating that progress in church extension had been made during the past year. Two new charges had been formed at Bingara-Warialda and Barraba-Manilla. There was a good prospect of new churches being erected in these districts, and the charges becoming self-sustaining at no distant date. The want of a sufficient supply of ministers was the chief hindrance to further progress. During the year every available minister had been continuously in the field, and students and lay agents had also been actively engaged. When it became necessary for the students to return to Sydney to continue their studies, it was with the utmost difficulty that the committee could find agents to fill their places, and it had even been under the necessity of appointing temporarily men who belonged to other churches in order to prevent any interruption in the services. So great did the committee feel the necessity of obtaining an immediate increase of its staff that it instructed the convener to cable to Scotland for six ministers to be sent out immediately. Two lay evangelists were already on their way, sent by the Free Church of Scotland, and it was hoped that several fully equipped ministers would be sent out shortly. No students were licensed last year, and it would be necessary to look to the old country for a time as the immediate source of supply. The committee therefore urged upon the assembly the necessity of addressing an additional urgent appeal to the Presbyterian churches of Great Britain and Ireland to come to its assistance.

The expenditure for pulpit supplies during the year was £3463 9s 10d, whilst the amounts received totalled £3499 10s 1d; the sum of £1184 8s 1d had been written off under instructions from assembly, and the present debit balance stood at £3603 12s 1d, as compared with £3167 19s 7d on January 1, 1898, showing an increase to debit of £435 12s 6d. The collections had shown an increase of £45 14s on the previous year, which, although gratifying, was far from satisfactory. The sum of £10,000 was received in December last and £2500 in March from the trustees of the estate of the late Robert Logan, of Torry Burn. The money had been placed with the Bank of New South Wales at fixed deposit pending more suitable investment. The committee had now 12 preaching places under this bequest in country districts at an annual cost of £691 8s 8d.

The Rev. J. Auld said if the committee had a dozen suitable ministers at its disposal work could be found for them, and there were places that would gladly receive and support them.

Several members spoke to the report, emphasising the necessity for a greater interest in home mission work. The Rev. J. C. Macdonald, who labours in a parish 120 miles by 80 in extent, said he believed it would be a good plan to send home £1000 for 10 ministers to be sent out, and if they could be landed at Circular Quay at £100 each it would prove a good investment. (Laughter.)

On the motion of the Rev. J. Auld, M.A., seconded by the Rev. J. Paterson, the report was adopted, and the committee thanked for its diligence.

Other business having been dealt with, the assembly adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning.

PRESS BAZAAR COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Press Bazaar Committee was held at the Town Hall yesterday afternoon. Mr. S. Cook presided, and there were also present Mesdames Aaronson and Fotheringham, Mdlle. Petherik, Misses Lawson, Fulton, and Darcby, and Messrs. Gullick, Dowling, T. Ryan, and Souter. The proceedings were mainly of a conversational character. The chairman, in answer to Mr. Tighe Ryan, stated that the "Sunday Times" was understood to have withdrawn from the proposed bazaar, but the proprietors had not yet formally announced their intention to do so. Mr. Dowling remarked that he had that morning called at the offices of the "Freeman's Journal" and "Catholic Press" to solicit the co-operation of those papers. The editor of the latter paper (Mr. Tighe Ryan) was present at the meeting, and the manager of the "Freeman's Journal" had announced the willingness of his proprietary to take part in the proposed bazaar. Mr. Souter, in view of certain withdrawals, expressed doubt as to the representative character of the exhibits, but the chairman remarked that there would be good examples of the press, its work, and its methods. Mr. Dowling observed that several of the leading firms of printers in the city would exhibit. Messrs. Brooks and Co., among others, had announced their willingness to show small machines. Several offers of this kind had to be refused owing to lack of space. The "Bulletin" had stated its willingness to supply pictures, drawings, and anything else which might be of use, but the manager of the paper had stated that they would not be able to furnish a stall, as they would not have anyone out of their small staff available to attend it. If the matter was, however, furnished as promised, there could be but little doubt that arrangements could be made by the committee in this respect. The "Star" was willing to assist, and the manager would shortly be called upon in order to definitely ascertain whether it would co-operate or not. In reply to Mr. Ryan Mr. Cook stated that the "Evening News" had withdrawn owing to a certain clause in the deed of partnership. He (Mr. Cook) had personally waited on Mr. Wynne (the manager of the "Daily Telegraph"), and that gentleman had stated that though he was personally in favour of his paper taking part in the bazaar, there were reasons of policy for abstaining, though he would help in other ways. In regard to the "Sydney Morning Herald," it had been decided to ask the staff to co-operate, and it was hoped that there would consequently be something good to show. If the various printers who intended to exhibit did likewise, there would undoubtedly be satisfactory results. The opinion was expressed by the chairman and Messrs. Gullick and Dowling that there would be no difficulty in regard to motive power for the machines exhibited. It was decided that Mr. Backhouse should be invited to attend the next meeting of the committee, so that the arrangements he proposed to make regarding space, &c., might be thoroughly understood. Mr. Tighe Ryan intimated that he would let the committee know in a few days if the "Catholic Press" would co-operate or not. If it did the proprietary would like to make a big show. The appointment of an executive committee was postponed till next meeting, when it was also agreed that names should be furnished of gentlemen willing to act as secretary. The committee then adjourned till Wednesday afternoon next.

UNIVERSITY COMMEMORATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Owing to the very limited space available for visitors in the Great Hall of the University for some years the Commemorations were held in the Town Hall, but on the score of sentiment the old plan was reverted to the Commemoration before last, with the consequence that the attendance of the outside public was very meagre. While making every consideration for the halo of sanctity that has gathered round the Great Hall, still it seems to me a very heavy price to pay for it, when it means shutting out about nine people out of every ten that would like to attend these yearly gatherings. The University should touch the national life at as many points as possible, and the spectacular side of life is a very influential one. When the Commemorations are held in the Town Hall an opportunity is afforded to literally thousands of people to catch some sort of a glimpse of University life, and it must in many cases arouse an interest in the University that otherwise would not be aroused.

As a matter of fact, the Great Hall of the University is totally inadequate to hold anything like the number of people that would not only like to go, but are anxious to go to the Commemorations, and even members of the Senate are refused tickets for their friends on the plea of want of space. We are not so exclusive here as they are in England, and do not want this great University function of the year to be merely a matter between the Chancellor and those to be presented to him, together with members of the University and a few, a very few, privileged friends. The Premier is proud of the fact that through the evening lectures he has made the University accessible to every class, and it seems to me, in a minor degree of course, that it is just as important this function should be accessible.

As an undergraduate, too, I must confess I am weak enough to want some of my friends to be present when I take my degree, but of course, as it is at present, that is out of the question except to the extent of the traditional two tickets that each graduate gets. I think this is an aspect of the question that has a right to be taken into consideration.

All things being considered, it seems to me the balance of advisability lies strongly on the side of the Town Hall as the place where the Commemorations should be held, and, as far as sentiment is concerned, surely the most spacious and magnificent hall in the southern hemisphere and the centre of our civic life is no unworthy place in which to hold them.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Wednesday Evening.

The Stock and Share market to-day was marked by inactivity on the investment side, the transactions being few and the movements slight. Government securities were steady, no business transpiring. Commercial Bank of Sydney and City Bank of Sydney brought the previous quotations. Nothing was done in bank deposits, Australian Joint Stock offering at the prices last paid. Steam were unaltered. Mercantile Mutual Insurance receded 3d, and United Insurance were rather easier. Australian Gaslight fell ¼, selling at 17. Marshall's Brewery had a buyer at an advance of 1d. A few alterations in the miscellaneous list had no significance, the only business done being in Brooklyn Tobacco at the previous quotation.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported:—Forenoon: City Bank of Sydney (new), 75s; Commercial Bank of Sydney, 24¼; Australian Gaslight, 17. At 1 o'clock—Late sales: New York and Brooklyn Tobacco, 24s; Mercantile Mutual Insurance, 11s 3d.

The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	*Yield to Investor.
	£	£	£	p. c.				p. c.
N.S.W. F. Stock, 1892	2,549,350	...	...	4	108½	107½	109	3½
Do. Ast, 1873	530,189	...	...	4	125	...	...	3¾
Do. 3 p. cent.	...	...	...	3	99¾	99½	100	3½
Do. Deb., 1902	399,300	...	...	5	105½	104	...	3¼
N. Z. D., 1913	300,000	...	...	4	106	105	...	3¾
Q'land D., 1913	...	...	...	4	107	105	...	3½
Colonial Sugar—D., 1914	...	...	...	5	111½	111½	...	4
BANKS.								
Aust. J.S.	1,167,207	10	7½	...	1/3	...	...	...
Aust'asia	1,600,000	40	40	6	...	57	...	...
City	240,000	10	8	6	82/6	82/3	83/	4½
New Issue	180,000	10	8	6	75/	74/6	75/6	6½
Com. of A. pref	2,117,070	10	10	7	104/	103/	106/	6¾
Com. of Syd.	1,000,000	25	12½	8	24¼	24¼	24½	4
N.S. Wales	1,250,000	20	20	9	38	37½	38¾	4¾
Royal of Q.	388,650	9	5¾	2½	49/6	...	...	...
Union	1,500,000	75	25	5	27	27	...	4¾
DEPOSITS.								
A.J.S. Bank: Class A	...	...	...	3	14/9	14/7½	14/9	4¼
Class B	...	...	...	3	13/9	13/7½	13/9	4½
Ditto Insc.	...	...	...	3½	11/7½	11/4½	11/6	6
Com. of Aus. A ser., 1898	...	...	...	3	18/	18/6	...	3¼
Ditto assets	...	...	...	3	16/	15/6	...	4½
E.S.A. series	...	...	...	...	15/2	14/3	...	...
Ditto Ter.	480,146	...	...	4	18/9	18/6	...	4½
Ditto Deb.	983,847	...	...	4	16/4½	16/3	17/	4¾
Insc., pref.	903,444	...	...	3	12/	11/9	12/3	5
Ditto, def.	900,010	...	...	3	13/	12/9	...	4¼
Nat. of Aust.	...	...	...	4½	12/6	20/	...	...
Q. Nat.	...	...	...	3½	12/6	11/6	12/6	5¾
STEAM.								
Illawarra	58,066	5	3½	6½	6	6½	6¾	5
N. & H. R.	100,000	1	1	6	18/3	18/	...	6½
Nth. Coast	121,748	1	17/6	8	19/9	19/9	19/10½	6¾
N.S. Ferry	60,000	1	1	10	52/	52/	52/6	3¾
Port Jackson	25,000	50	25	10	36/9	35/	...	...
Ditto Co-op. Deb. Shs.	9,368	...	1	5	...	18/	...	...
INSURANCE.								
A.M. Fire	25,000	1	5/	22½	27/	30/	...	...
Mer. Mut.	26,250	1	3/6	16½	11/3	11/3	11/6	5
New Zealand	200,000	10	2	11¼	...	...	...	...
United	62,500	10	2½	...	72/6	72	72/6	...
Ditto, New	5,725	10	12/6	...	...	15/	18/	...
GAS.								
Albury	7,500	1	12/6	10	18/	18/	...	7
A'stralian	681,798	6	6	9/	17	16¾	17¼	5¼
C. Towers	20,000	10	10/	10	...	11/6	...	...
Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	44/6	43/	...	6½
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	24/	24/	...	6¾
Manly	10,000	1	1	7	25/	26/	27/	5½
Ditto, New	5,000	1	10/	7	12/9	12/6	13/6	5¾
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	8	15/	15/	16/	6½
Newcastle	25,128	2	2	15	5½	5¾	6	5½
Ditto	...	2	5/	15	...	13/	...	...
North Shore	80,000	1	1	8	27/6	28/	...	5½
Ditto, New	10,000	1	10/	6	14/6	14/6	...	...
BREWERIES.								
Albury	10,500	1	10/	5	...	6/	8/	7½
Ditto	4,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	...
Australian	96,000	1	1	5	7/	5/	7/6	...
U'tim. & Wood Bros.	250,000	1	1	4	14/10½	14/9	15/	5½
Marshall's	29,701	10/	5/	6	5/2	5/2	5/3	5¾
Perkins'	58,338	15	15	13½	32/	32	...	...
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	7	26/9	26/3	26/9	5¼
MISCELL'EOUS.								
Aarons'	17,500	15	10/	...	...	...	3/	...
Aus. News	40,000	1	1	8	26/	25/6	26/	6¼
B. H. W. Sup.	188,500	1	1	12½	24/3	23/9	24/3	10
Burns, Philp	250,000	1	1	8	34/6	33	36	...
Ditto	17,500	1	5/	8	9/6	...	9/3	...
Col. Sugar	1,702,060	20	20	10	37½	37½	37¾	5¼
Dalgety Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	101	5¼	...	...
Emu B. Rl'wy	100,000	1	1	...	6/9	...	6/	...
Emu Gravel	34,000	1	1	3½	...	7/	11/	...
F. Fd. Ice	163,016	1	18/	8	22/6	22/5	22/9	6¾
Harrison, Jones, & D'in	50,000	1	1	8	...	...	...	...
Ditto	50,000	1	15/	8	11/3	...	...	7½
Malting Co.	3,000	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto	9,450	1	7/	...	...	...	...	...
Melb. Trams	480,000	1	10/	5	...	12/6	...	...
Mont de Piete	72,863	1	1	10	31/9	31/6	32/	6¼
Ditto New	1,568	1	10/	10	20/	19/9	...	...
Perm. Trustee	25,000	5	2/6	5	2.2	2.1	2.3	6
Per. Trust.	25,000	10	5	7	8¼	8/6	10/3	4½
Mort's Dock	150,000	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto Pref.	30,000	1	1	...	20/	...	21/	...
Richardson & Wrench	60,000	1	1	3	9/6	9/3	10/	6¼
Shale & Oil	75,000	1	15/	2½	5	2/10	4/	11½
Silv. Tram	197,895	1	1	40	93/6	93/	93/3	8¼
Syd. Exch.	30,000	10	10	7	...	...	...	...
S.H'raul. x rts	75,000	1	10/	10	...	25/	...	...
New York & B. Tob.	15,000	1	1	10	24/	24/	24/6	8¼
LAND & BO.								
Haymark't D.	...	...	13/	3	...	...	...	...
Fed. B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Indust. Prov.	80,000	20	20	6	20	19½	...	...
Intercolonial	32,750	1	15/	7	11/	10/6	...	10½
Excelsior Dep.	...	...	...	...	7/6	7½	...	...
Aus. Mut. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Ag. & Sub. D.	...	...	...	...	...	...	7/9	...
Sy. Fre. Land	...	...	...	...	...	7/	9/	...
N'castle Build	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on year's distribution; otherwise on the last half-yearly one.

We have already published the banking averages of New South Wales and several of the other colonies for the first quarter of the year. Those of Western Australia have been received by the Melbourne "Argus," and the following comparison of the main features of all with those of some preceding quarters indicates the course of banking since 1893:—

Quarter.	Deposits.	Notes Circulation.	Coin and Bullion.	Advances.	Percentage of Reserves to Liabilities.
	£	£	£	£	
Mar., '93	113,553,709	4,808,766	21,484,993	139,547,286	18·1
Mar., '94	102,384,145	4,105,246	23,263,904	128,283,270	21·7
Mar., '95	101,040,118	3,997,638	24,955,781	120,318,047	23·7
Mar., '96	101,317,790	3,959,859	26,913,356	114,102,711	25·4
June, '96	100,702,357	3,980,756	26,967,137	113,951,758	25·7
Sept., '96	99,792,813	3,893,852	27,031,900	114,721,793	25·9
Dec., '96	100,038,786	4,161,518	26,934,644	114,693,428	25·7
Mar., '97	100,757,897	4,156,314	26,156,864	114,164,121	24·8
June, '97	99,411,267	4,054,135	24,388,193	113,508,551	23·4
Sept., '97	97,528,681	3,881,726	23,552,548	112,531,795	23·1
Dec., '97	97,200,862	4,030,885	23,230,739	111,375,048	22·7
Mar., '98	98,139,170	4,113,374	22,919,369	109,442,458	22·3
June, '98	96,097,220	4,070,303	21,948,065	108,890,045	21·9
Sept., '98	94,450,005	3,874,793	21,881,867	107,780,666	22·1
Dec., '98	94,395,654	4,047,048	21,360,900	105,867,218	21·6
Mar., '99	97,252,167	4,088,428	20,800,315	105,574,380	20·5

As usual in the first quarter of the year, when the bulk of the proceeds of the wool clip and wheat crops are received, deposits increased to the amount of nearly three millions sterling. They are still, however, nearly a million short of the amount held a year back, which is probably explained by reductions in the amount of Government balances. The note circulation showed a slight increase on the quarter, but is not quite so great as a year ago. Gold being so much more abundant in the colonies than it was, it has gone more largely into circulation. The low rates for money, and the comparatively high Government note taxation leaving but a small margin of profits, the banks have no special inducement to push them into use. The heavy shipments of gold from the various colonies left the average £460,000 short of the total for the previous quarter, and rather more than two millions less than in the first quarter of 1898. It also left the proportion to liabilities at 20·5 per cent., or 4s 1d in the £, as compared with 21·6 per cent., or 4s 4d in £, in the last three months of 1898, and with 22·3 per cent., or 4s 5½d in the £, in the first quarter of last year. The position, though quite strong enough for all the demands at present, is now approximating more nearly to earlier conditions. A little more gold should be credited to the quarter in any comparison with quarters preceding the passing of the Queensland Note Act, since the Government of that colony now holds some portion of the reserve formerly appearing in the bank figures. Moreover, the banks have considerably more money on the other side of the world, and their reserves when presented as a whole, in comparison with their liabilities, would show a stronger position than appears from the quarterly averages. The advances show a shrinkage of £362,000, squatters and other debtors usually contracting their liabilities at this time of the year. That the reduction was no greater than appeared suggests that new business was being taken up. That there should have been a reduction of nearly four millions in the advances for the year, is largely to be accounted for by the writing down of advances on securities, which cannot yet be said to have ended. As far as the mere figures are concerned, they do not show the banks to be relatively so strong in reserves to liabilities—they, in fact, are the weakest for some years past; but if read in the light of their larger holdings of gold abroad, of their considerable increase in investments in Government securities, and of their reduced advances, indicating smaller outside liabilities, they leave no room for the belief that money is not sufficiently abundant for the requirements of these communities.

Though gold continues to be shipped to the United States by each outgoing steamer for San Francisco, the amount is much less than at the corresponding period of last year. The steamer Alameda, leaving to-day, took £150,000, including £50,000 shipped by the London Bank of Australia, £50,000 by the Bank of Australasia, and £50,000 by the Union Bank of Australia. Since the beginning of the year the shipments have reached a total of £1,152,000. The Moana's shipment in May last year was £500,000, and the aggregate to that time £2,000,000.

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Equitable Permanent Benefit Building, Land, and Savings Institution was held this evening, Mr. Henry Hudson presiding. In moving the adoption of the report, of which we have already given the principal features, the chairman said that there had been an increase of £12,200 in the advances as compared with the previous year, the total amounting to £43,148. In the 25 years of the society's existence it had lent about £1,204,000, which he thought showed that it had had a good deal to do in providing homes for the people; and the directors' relations with borrowers were such that while they had been able to grant suspensions of payment for two or three months in many cases, he thought only three cases were on record where the privilege had been abused. The society had kept ample liquid reserves, and in consequence had passed safely through the troublous times, and its balance-sheet now showed that its assets represented £70 for every £50 of proprietary capital paid up. The report was adopted. Messrs. H. E. Vaughan and Thomas Miller were re-elected directors, and Mr. John Page as auditor. A vote of thanks was passed to the directors, to Mr. William Chadwick, the manager, and officers.

Although the selection at the local wool sales to-day was hardly up to that available yesterday, the market continued buoyant. The top price for greasies was 11½d and for scoureds 22d per lb., the latter being the record figure for years past. The sales reported for the day comprised 4617 bales, and for the week 10,460 bales, making the total since the beginning of the season 434,241 bales.

The value of the imports into Sydney for the week ended May 7 amounted to £330,979 against £252,073 in the corresponding week of 1898, and making a total of £6,696,362 since January 1. The value of the exports in the week amounted to £199,811, against £176,900, and making £6,018,018 since January 1. From the beginning of the year the trade has been as follows:—

	1898.	1899.	Increase or Decrease.
IMPORTS.			
Merchandise	£5,014,093	£5,913,206	Inc. £899,113
Gold	869,846	783,156	Dec. 86,690
Total	£5,883,939	£6,696,362	Inc. £812,423
EXPORTS.			
Merchandise	£3,851,376	£4,557,527	Inc. £706,151
Gold	1,805,224	1,460,491	Dec. £344,733
Total	£5,656,600	£6,018,018	Inc. £362,418

The imports of merchandise to date for the year show a substantial increase of 17 per cent., and the exports a still larger one of 18 per cent. The increase in the exports include most articles except wool, butter, and breadstuffs, the value of the wool being only £1,981,421, against £2,125,757 in the like period in 1898. The transhipment trade particularly shows a substantial increase.

BREADSTUFFS.

Quietness still prevails, and prices are nominal at 2s 8d to 2s 9d for f.a.q., and 2s 10d for prime. Flour remained at £6 10s to £6 15s for local and intercolonial, Manitoba being rather scarce on spot, with a hardening tendency at £9 10s to £10.

Messrs. John Darling and Son, writing from Adelaide on the 8th instant, state:—

Deliveries of wheat still remain on a very small scale, and the demand is quite equal to the supply. In fact the supply is not sufficient to meet the ordinary demand, and should any outside demand be made upon us some inducement would have to be offered to draw the wheat from the stocks of the trade, as the producers' deliveries would not be sufficient at the present time to meet it. Value of wheat may be given as 2s 7½d to 2s 8d per bushel at Port Adelaide. In Melbourne a steady business continues, and several large parcels have been sold to the trade and the millers during the past week at prices ranging from 2s 7½d to 2s 8d, and from 2s 8½d to 2s 9d f.o.b. vessel. At these rates the market is steady, with a fair amount of business doing. There seems, however, to be no great disposition on the part of the producers to quit freely even at these rates, and the principal engagements that have been made during the past week have been between trader and shipper. The shipping demand is still considerable, and not likely to be overcome until the end of this month, if then. The indications are that present rates are likely to be maintained while supplies continue on their present small scale.

At the quarterly meeting of the Rockhampton Co-operative Baking Society the treasurer drew attention to the fact that the average cost of flour used in December quarter was £11 15s 9d per ton; in March quarter, £10; whilst in the current quarter, so far, it is less. The profit this quarter is £79 1s 4d; flour used, 77 tons. The import duty of £1 per ton on flour makes a difference to the society of about £300 a year, an amount equal to 5 per cent. dividend and 5 per cent. bonus, equal to nearly ½d per 2lb. loaf. It was hoped this heavy tax on one of the chief necessaries of life would soon be removed.

The following is a statement of the world's visible supply of wheat and flour compiled by the "Miller." It shows that compared with the same date last year stocks are heavier; but last year was one of abnormally low stocks and abnormally high prices; 1897 was a year of normal reserves, but when compared with this year we find that stocks are lower to-day than then. The presumption is that reserves are not yet fully replenished.

WORLD'S VISIBLE SUPPLY, in Thousands of Qrs.

	March, 1899.	March, 1898.	March, 1897.
Afloat for the United Kingdom	2,670	3,165	2,280
Afloat for the Continent	1,265	1,505	575
Stocks United Kingdom (wheat and flour)	1,350	1,160	1,994
Stocks, Paris	105	90	411
" French ports	300	645	320
" Belgian ports	110	125	325
" German ports	35	40	56
" Russian ports	2,000	887	2,137
Total	7,835	7,537	8,097
United States' visible supply	7,140	6,245	7,940
Grand total	14,975	13,782	16,037

IMPORT MARKET.

Continued activity prevailed to-day, metallic lines and jute goods coming in for the greater part of the inquiry. Large sales were again made, and several further advances in prices took place. Tea, sugar, groceries, dried fruits, &c., appeared quiet when contrasted with the extreme buoyancy of the other lines indicated. Yet even in these there was some business doing. Liquors ruled firm, rum being especially well held, with an upward tendency. Very little was done in brewers' goods. Fencing wire met with an excited demand at advanced rates, but in barbed wire only moderate sales were comprised. Tinplates were inquired for, but the high prices somewhat restricted actual business. The market was, however, well held at late prices, some holders asking a still further advance. Large forward contracts were made with Calcutta in cornsacks. Castor was also taken up for forward delivery. On spot oils were without appreciable change, except in the case of turps, which ruled higher.

Tea.—50 chests of Ceylon broken pekoes changed hands at 10d in bond. Private advices from Colombo state that the "cent" price of common grades was a fraction lower, but there was a more than corresponding depreciation in the quality.

Messrs. Fraser, Uther, and Co. will offer to-morrow, Thursday, at the City Mart, 503 packages of Ceylon and Indian teas, ex Rama and Euryalus, on account of Messrs. Fraser, Ramsay, and Co., and other importers.

Sugar.—Business in this department was not of an exciting character, prices being unaltered.

Prospects for the sugar season, which opens next month, are very good as far as the crops are concerned. The general run of the mills will start, reports the "Courier," in the first week in June. The exports for the season now drawing to a close run to 127,157 tons, the record yield for Queensland. Taking this sugar at the moderate figure of £10 per ton, the value of the crop was well over a million and a quarter sterling. It may be reckoned that the crop was, in round figures, about 160,000 tons—that is, placing the basis of home consumption at something less than the consumption estimated by the Government Statistician. So far nothing has been settled by the Childers canegrowers in respect to the offer made by the Colonial Sugar Refining Company to purchase their crops; steps have, however, been taken to obtain an answer, which may be looked for at an early date. This offer was to pay for the cane on a sliding scale according to the density of the juice, with a fixed minimum.

Groceries.—Thirty-five cases of Bell's vestas, in tins, were taken up for Queensland; 50 cases of Continental oysters sold at 3s 6d, 100 boxes Colman's packet starch and 100 boxes Colman's mustard at agents' prices, and 10 cases Edam cheese at market rates. Murray's condensed milk sold in trade lots. Private cables from San Francisco report that the coffee market is very firm, high-class Guatemala sorts being scarce.

Dried Fruits.—Fifty cases of currants changed hands at 3¾d; 40 boxes elemes, 5¾d; 360 boxes dates, 2½d to arrive; 500 boxes of Mildura Lexias at market rates. The first shipment of Lexias is now about due; the brown quality are quoted at 5d and the extras at 5½d. The balance of the Mildura peaches available have been taken up for this market.

Liquors.—A steady inquiry was experienced. Hennessy's brandy was firm at 35s 6d for one and 45s 6d for three star, with small sales. Lowndes's rum sold at 3s. Key gin went off at 10s 9d for 15-bottle, 11s 9d for 16's, 12s for 18's, and 12s 3d for 20's. Fifty cases of Henke's schnapps sold to arrive at 10s 6d. Bisquit's brandy in flasks and half-flasks had attention. 260 cases of Burnett's Old Tom moved off at convention prices. Usher's whisky sold in 100-case lines at usual prices. Sir John Power's whisky was placed. Fifty cases of Johnstone's stout sold at 7s 6d, stocks being light on spot and orders booked to arrive. Blood Wolfe stout was also sold at usual prices. Fifteen quarters of Feuerheerd's port moved off for forward delivery.

Hops.—San Francisco advices report very little doing in hops owing to the lightness of stocks.

Metallic Lines.—100 tons of black Nos. 8 and 13 and 50 tons of galvanised Nos. 8 to 16 were placed on private terms. Prices were somewhat irregular owing to a certain amount of unloading taking place, but the chief holders asked the following rates:—No. 8, American, £9 2s 6d; No. 10, £9 10s; No. 8, Westphalian, £9 12s 6d; No. 10, £10; No. 8, Whitecross, £10 2s 6d; and No. 10, £10 7s 6d. Five tons of No. 8 American galvanised moved off at £9 10s to arrive. Barbed wire was quiet at £12 on spot or to arrive. Fifty dozen B.B.A. sheepshears were placed at 32s 6d, T.U.S. being quoted at 33s 6d. Tinplates ruled firm at 14s for Lydbrook's. 50 casks of Anchor cement sold at 11s 9d.

In view of the recent stiff advance in German fencing wire the following from the German correspondent of the "Ironmonger" is of interest:—

The most noticeable feature about the iron and steel market in the Lower Rhine and Westphalian provinces is the continued scarcity of raw materials. The difficulty in obtaining fuel (especially coke) is causing much inconvenience, and is naturally restricting the output of pig iron. The shortage of supplies of the last-named in turn restricts the operations of the steelmakers, and only those concerns which are fortunate enough to possess their own blast-furnaces are able to work at their full capacity. Owing to the extraordinary demand for material of all kinds which now exists in the United States, manufacturers in that country are not in a position to export material to this country, and consequently iron and steel manufacturers in Germany are enjoying a respite from the competition which threatened to become unpleasantly keen a few months back.

Jute Goods.—Considerable parcels of cornsacks and woolpacks have been taken up for forward shipment from Calcutta for all the colonies at about 4s 6d c.i.f. for the first-named and 1s 8½d for the last-named line. Cornsacks also sold for July-August shipment at 5s delivered. Woolpacks, 11½lb., to arrive, 1s 10d; 11½lb., 1s 11d; and 12lb., 2s. Five bales of 23 by 15 orebags went at 2s 4d.

For some time past fears have been expressed in all the Calcutta correspondence that difficulty might arise at any time with the labour employed at the jute mills. The latest addition is a circular written about Easter time, which gives some information on the subject. It says:—"The market reopens after the holidays in much the same condition as regards buying, but sellers' ideas are firmer, and business much more difficult to work. This is owing to the attitude taken by the mill hands, who have not fallen in with the idea of receiving only five days' pay per week under the short-time arrangement. There is a great deal of discontent and friction at some mills, and much anxiety is experienced lest further trouble results. In any case, there is little doubt the production will be further reduced during the near future owing to this cause, and sellers are prudent in not committing themselves while the trouble lasts. Plague is about the same, but is not influencing labour at all." Messrs. Kiernander and Co., writing on April 14 from Calcutta, also make reference to this subject, stating:—"The mills started working short-working time on April 1, so that they have so far had only one Saturday yet. Already one mill has applied to resume full work owing to its labour being so bad that they cannot turn out enough to fulfil contracts. There is to be a meeting held this afternoon on the question."

From another source we learn that a break-up of the agreement, which means the collapse of the "combine," was fully expected when last Calcutta mail left, thus affording another illustration of the inability of the Calcutta mills to hold together for any length of time. As, however, cables have since been received quoting higher prices than those ruling on April 14 some amicable arrangement must have been arrived at.

Oils.—No alteration occurred in kerosene. Fifty cases of China oil sold at 2s 8d. Kemp's sheep-branding oil met with a good inquiry, forward sales being booked.

Chemicals.—The agents for Brunner, Mond, and Co., Limited, of Northwich, advise us that their bicarbonate of soda has not been cabled higher, though all sodas were firmly held on the other side. Soda ash advanced 10s per ton.

The customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £5388. The principal items were:—

Spirits, £1861; wine, £44; ale, porter, and beer, £51; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £715; tea, £91; sugar and molasses, £686; opium, £146; dried and candied fruits, £150; harbour and light rates, £49; pilotage, £28; harbour dues, £18; colonial distilled spirits, £26; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £500; excise on beer, £943. Total, £5388.

EXPORT MARKET.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 145 bales of wool arrived, and 16 bales were received coastwise.

The following London cables regarding the London wool sales have been handed to us:—

By Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited, from Messrs. Buxton, Ronald, and Co., dated 9th instant:—"Since the opening of the present series merinos and crossbreds have advanced 5 per cent. 90,000 bales have been offered to date."

By Dalgety and Co., Limited, dated May 8.—"Wool sales continue firm and prices are rather higher."

LONDON WOOL MARKET.

LONDON, April.

The Easter holidays have played a very important part in all business centres during the past week, many consumers taking the opportunity of a rather quiet period of closing for a whole week. Previous weeks have been fairly good in all branches, but a lull set in, and this afforded an excuse for a lengthened stoppage of machinery.

Prices keep firm for all fine sorts. Serges and worsteds for clothing purposes hold a good position, makers of that class being well off for orders. Ready-made clothiers keep well employed, and for early summer trade must have had large deliveries to make. Flannels are not over brisk. Some makers have small and quick orders in hand, and for the moment are busy, yet if nothing new comes in soon these must make to stock in order to keep machinery going. Prices keep steady, and that of the raw material is firm, too high for some manufacturers, as orders have to be declined on account of the difficulty of execution for the price named.

The few days available, continental firms have kept busy. The price of futures continues to rise, and evidently an autumn trade is anticipated with a good deal of satisfaction.

Home carpet trades are having a busy time, and are a good deal pressed for delivery. Most manufacturers are well employed, and likely to be for some time to come. This will be welcome news to rough-haired wool holders.

The Canadian business continues brisk, and the outlook for the future is quite as hopeful as past and present trade.

Top makers find trade a little quieter, but prices keep very firm, especially for merino sorts and fine crossbreds. These are still most in demand; 60's tops make to-day 23d readily.

Yarns indicate better things on export account shortly. The difficulty still is one of price. The stand made for tops in merino and best crossbreds makes it imperative on the part of spinners to hold out for better rates. There is reason to believe that values in London at next auctions will be fully maintained for all best wools.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, May 9.

DEBENTURE STOCKS, &c.

Freehold Trust of Australia 4 per cent. debentures, unaltered at 100.

Metropolitan Gas Company of Melbourne 4½ per cent. debentures, unchanged at 111.

Australian Gaslight Company of Sydney 5 per cent. debentures, unchanged at 105.

City of Sydney 4 per cent. debentures, 1912-13, unaltered at 105.

Dalgety and Co., Limited, shares, unaltered at 5½; ditto, 4 per cent. debentures, 1 lower at 111.

Queensland Investment and Land Mortgage Company 4 per cent. debentures, unchanged at 89.

Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company 4 per cent. debenture stock, unchanged at 112.

Union Mortgage and Agency Company, unchanged at 77½.

Australian and New Zealand Mortgage and Agency Company, unchanged 78¼.

WHEAT AND FLOUR STATISTICS

	April 25, 1899.	May 2, 1899.	May 9, 1899
Afloat—	Quarters.	Quarters.	Quarters.
For United Kingdom	3,070,000	3,220,000	3,340,000
For Continent	1,480,000	1,670,000	1,740,000
Total	4,550,000	4,890,000	4,080,000

AMERICAN COMMERCIAL.

SAN FRANCISCO (via Auckland), April 19.

Wheat, milling, is quoted at 1·10dol. to 1·12½dol.; shipping, 1·6¼dol. to 1·7½dol.; flour, 3·60dol. to 3·75dol; barley, 1·17½dol. to 1·22½dol.; hay, wheaten, 10·12dol. to 10·50dol; hops, 12½c. to 14c. per lb.; coal, Wallsend, 7·50dol. per ton.

J. W. Harrison's coal circular says:—"Since the Moana left the following coal vessels have arrived from Newcastle:—Strathdon, 3057 tons; Sonoma, 1597; Prussia, 1820: total, 6474 tons. Under ordinary circumstances these very light deliveries of Australian fuel for the past several months would have caused a marked advance in prices, whereas no change is noticeable, and but few inquiries are being made for colonial grades, as they are being supplanted by our northern coast products. The colliery proprietors at Newcastle very imprudently advanced their prices 1s per ton at an inopportune time, as freights were then at the highest point. This caused the delivery price here to reach such a figure that large consumers were diverted to cheaper fuel. There are at present 37 vessels chartered for hire from Sydney and Newcastle, with a carrying capacity of about 98,000 tons. Of these 10 have already left. With at present a promising outlook for the incoming harvest there should be fully 50 per cent. more tonnage chartered in the colonies to transport coal to this port."

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The market remains very quiet, with rates unaltered as follows:—Wheat, 2s 7d to 2s 8d for farmers' lots at Port Adelaide; 2s 8d to 2s 9d for parcels. Flour, £6 10s per ton. Bran and pollard, 9d. Oats, New Zealand, from 3s 10d to 4s; dun and Algerian, 1s 6d to 1s 8d; white, 2s to 2s 6d.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

In Dunedin the demand for oats is good at prices latterly quoted. Prime milling, 1s 4½d; prime Sparrow bills, 1s 4½d; good feed, 1s 3½d; ordinary, 1s 3½d.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

At the wool sales on Tuesday 2000 bales will be submitted. Keen competition is expected.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Wheat is firm at 2s 8½d to 2s 8¾d alongside the ship, and 2s 8d ex store, with a moderate business. Flour sold up to £6 7s 6d; bran, 8¼d f.o.b. A good parcel of bran sold for immediate shipment at 8½d f.o.b. to fill urgent requirements. Pollard, 8d to 8½d; Algerian oats, 1s 4d to 1s 7½d; good new maize, 2s 6d to 2s 6½d. Chaff firm at 42s 6d to 45s; prime wheaten, 47s 6d. Potatoes, 45s; onions, 40s to 50s. Prime factory butter, 9d to 9½d; choicest, 9¾d; eggs, 1s 3½d to 1s 4d. Business in sugars covers 100 tons Millaquin whites, 25 tons Fairymead whites, 20 tons Maffra beet whites, and a small lot of Mauritius. Sales of ten over 200 chests Indian up to 7¼d; 125 packages Ceylon, 7¾d to 9½d. Provincial currants, 4¼d; Mildura sultanas, in small lots, 8¼d; dried apricots, 6d. Ling, 4¼d. Large sales of soda ash and caustic soda have been made to arrive. Business in liquors has been rather active, owing partly to the wreck of the Loch Sloy. Sellers of cornsacks for next season quote 4s 10½d; small spot lots sold at 5s 10½d. Branbags, 3s 3d. Woolpacks, well forward, are worth 1s 9½d. Forty tons 12lb. rails sold. Quicksilver, 2s 6d. Local manufacturers of wire nails have raised the prices 10s per ton. A fair business was done in castor oil at up to 2s 10d.

The market for investment stocks is without important change in quotations, transactions being of only moderate extent. Sales were:—Metropolitan Board of Works 5 per cent., £106; Commercial Bank preference shares, £5 7s; National ordinary, 57s 6d to 58s; Royal, 9s 3d; Southern Insurance, 4s 4½d; Emu Bay Railway, 5s 6d; Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus, 13s 3d; Silverton Tramway, 93s; Melbourne Hydraulic Power, 16s; T. K. Bennet, 1s 3d.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Leura sailed to-day for Sydney with 13 bags bran, 1159 bags chaff, 94 cases fruit, 129 bags rye, 12 crates vegetables, 141 bags onions, 25 bags 198 cases potatoes, 349 bags wheat, 3500 bags flour, 21 cases biscuits.

PALMER'S ISLAND, Wednesday.

The Kallatina left here at 8.30 a.m. with 2074 bags maize, 10 bags turnips, 288 bags sugar, 33 bags bark, 49 bags beans, 3 bags pumpkins, 31 bales wool, 6 bales skins, 88 cases eggs, 2 cases fruit, 25 cases fish, 85 casks tallow, 7 coops poultry, 1 horse, 224 hides, 263 boxes butter, 137 pigs, 29 cans cream, 25 pairs game, and sundries.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Wednesday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

So far as prices were concerned no changes of importance occurred. The markets were quiet in tone, but nevertheless a moderate volume of business was transacted in most lines. Supplies under offer were ample for all requirements. The market for maize remained without alteration, the inquiry being fair and stocks moderately good. A decided upward tendency was noticeable in oats, chiefly on account of the encouraging reports received regarding the New Zealand market. The sale was brisk at 1s 9d for best samples, with prospects of higher prices in the immediate future. Barley, peas, and chickwheat had quiet sale at late rates. Bran sold well, prices, if anything, being a trifle firmer. Pollard, however, was not so brisk at 9d per bushel. A big turnover was done in all varieties of imported chaff. Prime green samples commanded ready sale at £3 5s. Lucerne hay continued in good request at quotations. The arrivals from the Hunter totalled 380 bales, a large quantity of which was new green. Old hay moved well, chiefly at 70s for good medium. Dry green was scarce and firm at 75s. New hay had a good deal of attention at 60s to 70s per ton. Special dry green lots made an extra 5s. Straw was in demand at late rates. The inquiry for potatoes continued fair, prices quoted being rather irregular. An improved sale was reported for prime onions, but no change in values transpired. Turnips were considerably lower on account of the quality not being so good. In dairy produce the only thing of importance to record was a fall of 1d per lb. in butter. Some agents expressed the opinion that the reduction should have taken place at least a couple of weeks ago. If this had been done the market would not be blocked as it is at present with our second and third class butters. The underselling of the local article by the imported which has been going on for some time is solely responsible for the big surplus of the local makes now on the market. Until this has been "worked off" the market cannot be considered firm. Private advices from Melbourne state that the market is stronger. The price quoted for choicest was 10d per lb. This will materially assist to strengthen the local market.

Wholesale quotations were:—

FEED-GRAINS MARKET.

Oats.—Seed, 2s to 2s 3d; prime feed, 1s 9d, medium 1s 7d to 1s 8d; Tasmanian, prime 1s 9d, medium 1s 6d to 1s 7d per bushel.

Maize.—Firm. Prime dry, 2s 8d per bushel.

Peas.—Blue, 3s 6d to 3s 9d; grey, 2s 8d to 2s 10d per bushel.

Chickwheat.—Prime, 2s 4d to 2s 6d per bushel.

Barley.—Chevalier seed, 5s to 5s 3d; English, 2s 10d to 3s; Cape, 2s 6d per bushel.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Bran was quoted at 8½d to 9d, and pollard 9d per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Prime green, £3 15s; medium, £3 5s to £3 10s; new, green, £3 to £3 10s; railway prime, £3 15s; medium, £3 5s; small bales, dry green, £4 to £4 5s per ton.

Hay.—Local oaten in bundles, prime, £4 10s to £4 15s, good medium, £3 15s to £4 5s; off varieties, to £3 5s per ton.

Chaff.—Imported: Prime, £3 to £3 2s 6d; extra green, £3 5s; medium, £2 15s; inferior, to £2 10s. Local: Prime, £3 5s; medium, £2 15s to £3 per ton.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed, prime £2; special brands £2 5s; imported, Tasmanian £1 17s 6d; local bundled, £2 to £2 2s 6d per ton.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Plentiful. Tasmanian Circulars, prime, £2 10s; New Zealand, Derwent, prime, £2 5s per ton.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Prices down 1d. Creamery, 10d; factory, 9½d to 10d; dairy, 8d to 9d; pastry, 7d to 8d; imported choice, 10d; pasteurised butter, 11½d per lb.

Eggs.—Good sale. North 1s 8d; south, 1s 6d to 1s 7d per dozen.

Bacon and Hams.—Hand-cured, prime, 7d; special brands, 7½d; second-class, 6d to 6½d; middles, 8d to 8½d; mild cured sides, 7½d; farmers' lots, 5d to 6d; Bodalla sides 7½d, flitches 7d, and middles 8½d; local hams, cloth, 9d; small weights, 9½d; New Zealand, mild cured, choice 9½d; English, 9½d to 10d; small weights, 10½d per lb.

Poultry.—Fair supplies. Moderate demand. Inferior, 1s 9d to 2s; medium fowls, 2s 3d to 2s 6d; prime young sorts, 2s 9d to 3s 6d; ducks, 2s to 2s 6d; choice, 2s 9d to 3s; Muscovy ducks, 3s to 4s; geese, 4s to 5s; turkeys, cocks 6s to 8s, choice 9s to 10s; hens 4s to 5s 6d per pair.

Cheese.—Choice loaf, choice, 6d; medium, 5½d; large, medium 5d, choice 5½d, special brands 6d; New Zealand, large 5d; medium, 5½d; loaf, 5½d to 6d; Bodalla cheese, 6½d per lb.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Honey.—Plentiful. Garden honey, choice 2d to 2½d, medium 1½d to 1¾d per lb.

Beeswax.—Choice, 1s per lb.

Onions.—Melbourne, prime £3 5s; medium £2 10s to £2 15s; New Zealand, prime, £3 to £3 2s 6d per ton.

Lard.—Finely rendered, in bladders, 5d; bulk, 4½d per lb.

Turnips.—Tasmanian, prime, £2 to £2 5s per ton.

THE WOOD MARKET.

Fair supply, moderate demand. Footwood, good, 9s 6d to 11s 6d; rough, 7s to 8s; bundles, good, 8s 6d to 9s 6d; inferior, 7s to 7s 6d; billet, 9s to 9s 6d; inferior, 5s to 7s; bakers' split, good, 8s to 9s; inferior, 7s to 7s 6d, large green, 6s 6d to 7s; dry 9s to 9s 6d per ton.

REDFERN SALE.

The offerings were again limited to a few trucks of produce. A good medium sample of oaten hay chaff fetched 3s. Extra prime straw in light derrick bales found a buyer at 2s 5d. The inquiry for lucerne was less active. Prime in small bales brought 4s. Ordinary prime in trusses realised 3s 7d, a medium sample going at 3s 3d per cwt. Pumpkins of small and medium size had attention at 1s 6d to 2s 10d per dozen. Turnips were sold at 2s per cwt.

Appended are the proportions of the various descriptions of produce actually submitted at to-day's sale:—Straw 3 trucks, lucerne 4, chaff 1, pumpkins 1, and turnips 1.

Among the consignees were:—Messrs. Ellis and Co., Heaton Bros., Dent and Perry, R. Little and Co., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, S. B. Bond, and J. Bridge and Co.

Supplies were disposed of as follows:—

Chaff.—From A. M'Dermott, Newbridge, (truck No. 2551) 3s per cwt.

Straw.—Derrick: From Davis, Kelso, (658) passed; Fitzpatrick, Dubbo, (10,671) passed; Drew, Mudgee, (8036) 2s 8d per cwt.

Lucerne.—Small bales: From Davey, West Maitland, (33.0) passed; Mathinson, George's Plains, (2552) 4s. Truss: R. Greentree, Windsor, (7792) 3s 3d; A. May, Mulgrove, (3563) 3s 7d per cwt.

Pumpkins.—From Brown, West Maitland, (2194) 1s 6d, 2s 7d, and 2s 10d per dozen.

Turnips.—From Hayes, Windsor, (7809) 2s per cwt.

FRUIT MARKETS.

Fair supplies of most varieties of seasonable fruits were under offer at the Bathurst-street markets this morning. Apples were extremely plentiful, as were most kinds of citrus fruits. Owing to the cold weather business was rather slack. Choice apples and pears had attention at firm prices. Other samples, however, were dull of sale except at reduced rates. Owing to the large quantities of oranges forward from the rivers and Queensland the prices ruled considerably lower. The inquiry was slow at quotations. Mandarins and lemons were in quiet request at yesterday's closing rates. Bananas were scarce, only a few Queensland sorts being available. A boat is due on Friday from Fiji with fresh supplies. Quinces, persimmons, passionfruit, and loquats had a little attention at the prices quoted.

Current quotations were:—

Bananas.—Fiji 2s to 2s 6d, best available 3s to 3s 6d per bunch; Fiji, 9s to 10s; Queensland, 8s to 9s per case.

Pears.—Tasmanian, B. Deal, 5s 6d to 6s 6d; choice, 7s; Bishop Thumbs, 2s 6d to 3s; Napoleon, 2s 6d to 3s 6d; Winter Nelis, 5s to 7s; Swan Eggs, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; Broom Park, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; Orange Bergamot, 6s to 7s per quarter-case; Melbourne Winter Nelis 5s 6d to 6s, choice, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; Josephine 6s 6d to 7s, choice 7s 6d; Napoleon, 3s 6d to 4s per case.

Apples.—Local, dessert, prime, 6s to 7s; small, 3s 6d to 4s, medium, 4s 6d to 5s 6d; choice Five-crowns, 7s to 8s, extra choice, 10s; cooking sorts, 4s to 5s; prime 5s 6d to 6s gincase. Tasmanian Prince Alfred, 5s to 5s 6d; Ribstones, 6s to 7s; Adam's Pearmains, 6s to 6s 6d; choice, 7s; Scarlet Pearmains, 6s to 7s; choice, 7s 6d to 8s; Crabs, 5s 6d to 6s 6d; New Yorks, 7s to 7s 6d; choice, 8s; Stone Pippins, 4s 6d to 5s 6d; Crow Eggs, 4s 6d to 6s; Stunners, 5s to 6s per case.

Oranges.—Local, main crop, 2s 6d to 3s, good 3s 6d to 4s 6d, prime 5s, extra choice 6s, Manning River, 4s 6d to 5s 6d a gincase; Queensland, 4s 6d, choice 5s; Italian, 18s to 20s per case.

Lemons.—Rough, 3s to 3s 6d; prime green, 4s to 5s; choice coloured, 6s to 7s; extra choice, 8s gincase.

Loquats.—Small, 2s to 3s, medium 3s 6d half-case.

Cocoanuts.—A few, 9s per bag.

Quinces.—Medium, 2s 6d to 3s 6d; prime, 4s to 4s 6d; choice, 5s gincase.

Persimmons.—Small, 3s; medium, 4s to 5s; prime, 6s to 7s half-case.

Mandarins.—Green main crop, 2s 6d to 4s per half-case.

Passionfruit.—Medium, 5s to 6s; prime, 7s to 9s gincase; choice, 5s per half-case.

Tomatoes.—Prime, 3s 6d to 4s; others 2s to 3s half-case.

HOMEBUSH SALES.

The offerings at the Homebush sales to-morrow (Thursday) will be as follows:—

Sheep total, 34,686.
Cattle total, 877.

FURSKIN SALES.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association (Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited), John Bridge and Co., Limited, Dalgety and Co., Limited, Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited, Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Wyly, Trenchard, and Co., and J. C. Young and Co.) report:—

Furskins.—A good demand prevailed, and prices fully equalled previous rates, with a tendency towards increased firmness. Opossumskins: 31,012 offered. Prices, although a trifle irregular, were generally unaltered. Quotations—Grey kangarooskins: Average 6lb. per dozen and under, 3d to 10½d each; over 6lb. and up to 14lb., 10½d to 35d; over 14lb. and up to 26lb., 36½d to 53½d; over 26lb. and upwards, 5¾d to 5?d; faulty, about 6lb. to 12lb. average, 5d to 2½d; 20lb. and over, 20d to 45½d. Red kangarooskins: Average 6lb. per dozen and under, 8d to 9d; over 6lb. and up to 14lb., 2½d to 28½d; over 14lb. and up to 26lb., 29d to 40½d; over 26lb. and upwards, 50d to 85d; faulty, about 6lb. to 12lb. average, 5d to 22d; 20lb. and over, 30d to 61½d. Wallarooskins: Average 6lb. per dozen and under, 2¼d to 7¼d; over 6lb. and up to 14lb, 9½d to 23½d; over 14lb. and up to 26lb., 24d to 29½d; faulty, about 6lb. to 12lb. average, 4d to 17½d; 20lb. and over, 21d to 27d. Wallaby—Scrub: 2½lb. average, per dozen, 1d to 1¼d; 3½lb. to 6lb., 1½d to 9d; 8lb. to 12lb., 12d to 28d. Faulty: About 3lb. to 6lb. average, 1d to 6d; 8lb. and over, 10d to 13d. Wallaby—Swamp: 2½lb. average, per dozen, 1d to 1½d; 3½lb. to 6lb., 2½d to 8½d; 8lb. to 12lb., 12d to 19½d. Faulty: About 3lb. to 5lb. average, 1d to 7d; about 8lb. and over, 10d to 14d; wallaby, rock, ½d to 3½d; goats, 12d to 24½d; seconds, 1d to 11½d; bears, 6d to 7½d; seconds, 1½d to 5½d; hares, 1d to 1½d.

Opossumskins.—Super grey, 9s to 11s per dozen; first grey, 7s 6d to 8s 3d; second grey, 4s 6d to 7s 3d; small, 1s 6d to 4s 4d; rumped, 1s 3d to 4s 10d; super red, 8s to 9s 9d; first red, 6s to 7s 9d; second red, 4s to 5s 9d.

ROBERT LITTLE AND CO.—Hay, Chaff, and Produce Auctions at Redfern daily. Highest prices, immediate returns.—Advt.

HEATON BROS., Produce Auctioneers, established 30 years. Sales at Redfern every day. Highest prices, prompt returns.—Advt.

"York Castle brand of mild-cured Bacon. Cured by English experts. Flavour delicious." Denham Bros.—Advt.

S. B. BOND, 86 Sussex-street, Auctioneer and General Produce Salesman. Auction Sales daily at Redfern.—Advt.

R. HALL and SON, Auctioneers and General Produce Merchants. Sales at Redfern daily. Highest prices.—Advt.

SYDNEY WOOL SALES.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association report that wool sales were held yesterday (Wednesday) at the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place, when the quantity catalogued totalled 1893 bales, and the sales amounted to 4647 bales, as under:—

Brokers.	Offerings.	Sales. At Auction.	Privately ex Catalogue.	Uncatalogued.	Total.
Hill, Clark, and Co.	118	118	4	27	149
John Bridge and Co., Limited	407	328	6	963	1,297
New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited	760	702	29	...	731
Winchcombe, Carson, and Co.	608	517	86	1,400	2,003
Wyly, Trenchard, and Co.	...	...	...	467	467
Totals	1,893	1,665	125	2,857	4,647

At yesterday's sales there was an equally strong and excited market, although the selection on offer, as a whole, was not nearly so attractive as on the previous day. The attendance of buyers was quite as good and the competition equally keen, the advance on last month's quotations of 10 to 15 per cent., as previously quoted, being again easily obtainable. Values are now quite on a par with those ruling in London, the advance there last month of 7½ to 10 per cent., with the further advance now reported, making the rise in Sydney equal to 17½ to 25 per cent.

Queensland wools, it may be mentioned, are in special favour, their freedom from seed and burr being a great attraction, and for any parcels forwarded any outside prices may be relied on.

In the greasy section, the highest price of the day was 11½d, obtained for 8 bales super combing marked LA over S over New England, a wool of good quality and well skirted. Other sales were:—EM over Boongavinna over Queensland, 4 at 10½d and 16 at 10d, of good quality and lengthy staple, but a little dusty. Rev. SE over Camocla, from Queensland, 4 at 11d and 6 at 10½d, very fine, but a little fatty. WNW over Yarmouth, from Queensland, 18 at 9d and 5 at 8½d. Yamburgan, from St. George, Queensland, 8 at 10¼d, 21 at 10¾d, and 18 broken at 10¾d, the last-mentioned being a very good lot. The wool was of good quality and staple, sound and dry, but the A hoggets was a trifle seedy. Tarrara, also from Queensland, 15 at 9½d, of good quality and staple, in fair condition, sound, and free. HD over Silver Hill, from The Hunter, 10 at 10½d, of super quality, but a little burry and skirty.

In scoured wool the top price, 22d, was paid for a star lot marked GR over M, scoured at the Collingwood Works, and was a fine sample of extra fine combing. This forms the record for scoured wool at auction, though another small lot is reported as having been sold privately at the same figure. Other sales were:—JH, from New England, 4 at 19½d, dry, and of good colour; JB&Co over Green Park, 4 at 20d, of very good colour, dry, and clean, but a little specky; P&W over Barcaldine, from Queensland, 23 at 21d, 5 at 20½d, and 4 first pieces at 20d, the wool being of splendid colour, fine quality, and free; HCY over Lakeside, scoured by Messrs. Wright and Abbott at Botany, 4 clothing at 21½d, fine and especially well got up; HMG over Habnarey, from Walgett, 5 at 19¼d, 4 first pieces at 18¾d, and 5 bellies at 17½d, well scoured, light and free, of good colour, and bright; SS over B in diamond, from Queensland, 6 at 18½d, of very good colour and dry; TWP over Maesland, from Queensland, 8 at 21¼d, of good quality and condition, bright, and very well got up; FU over Dundee, from Glen Innes, 10 at 21½d, 7 at 20¾d, and 41 at 20½d, of good quality and condition, very well got up, and almost free. FU in diamond over Bridgewater, from Glen Innes, 4 at 20¾d, 5 at 18¾d, 4 crossbred at 18d, of good quality, bright, and in fair condition. Tarrara, from Longreach, Queensland, 9 at 21½d, 9 at 20½d, and 7 pieces at 20d, of fine quality, good condition, bright and free, and very well handled. C&Co over Tarcombe, from Queensland, 15 first lambs at 10d, well grown, long stapled, free, and light. The following were also among the lots sold:—

Greasy: Yamburgan, from St. George, Q., 7 A ewes at 8½d, 11 A ewes at 9½d, 12 B hoggets at 9½d, 19 B ewes at 8½d, 17 B wethers and ewes at 8½d, 19 C hoggets and ewes at 8d, 23 broken ewes at 9½d, 17 broken wethers and ewes at 9¾d, 5 rams at 8½d, 5 first pieces hoggets at 9½d, 10 first pieces wethers and ewes at 7½d, 4 second pieces hoggets and ewes at 7½d, 5 bellies hoggets at 8¾d, 7 bellies wethers and ewes at 7½d, 13 locks at 5½d; AGA over NZ, 9 crossbred at 8½d; MR over N, from Q., 17 at 8½d, 6 first pieces at 8½d, 6 first lambs at 8½d; TH over Stoney Crossing, 6 first lambs at 8½d; 8 over Tuke, 5 crossbred lambs at 9½d; KK, 4 crossbreds at 6½d; EM over Boongavinna, over Queensland, 16 A ewes at 10d, 4 B ewes at 9d, 8 first pieces at 9d; G&TS over Quitoe, from New Caledonia, 4 firsts at 8½d, 7 seconds at 8½d; HP Coy over New England, 5 bellies at 7½d; Kawa Kawa in two ovals, from New Zealand, 5 crossbred at 5½d; WNW over Yarmouth, from Queensland, 5 A and B combing at 8½d, 5 combing wethers at 9d, 13 A lambs at 9d, 5 A and B lambs at 7½d; Burban Grange over ES, from Brewarrina, 15 combing wethers at 8½d.

Scoured: WNW over Yarmouth, 5 lambs at 16½d; HMG over Habnarey, from Walgett, 5 first combing at 19½d, 4 first pieces at 18¾d, 5 bellies at 17½d; JH, from New England, 4 first wethers at 19½d, 4 first pieces wethers at 17¾d, 5 bellies wethers at 17¼d; JB and CO. over Green Park, 4 super combing at 20d; RT over diamond, from Queensland, 5 super combing at 19½d, 6 clothing at 17½d; S and S over BA in diamond, 1 super clothing at 8d; P and W over Barcaldine, from Queensland, 21 first and second combing at 21d, 5 first clothing at 20½d, 4 first pieces at 20d; HCY over Lakeside, 4 extra super clothing at 21½d; SS over B in diamond, from Queensland, 6 first clothing at 18½d; L and Co. over E in diamond, 11 first combing at 16¾d, ditto over E S first combing at 16½d; OP, 8 super at 17d; TWP over Maesland from Queensland, 8 first ewes at 21½d; W in diamond, 7 first lambs at 14½d; 10 ver GLV, 7 first combing at 17d; FU over Dundee, from Glen Innes, 10 A combing at 21½d, 7 B combing at 20¾d, 11 A clothing at 20½d, 11 C clothing at 17½d; FU in diamond over Bridgewater, from Glen Innes, 4 A at 20¾d, 5 A and C combing at 18½d, 4 crossbred at 18d; Tarrara, from Queensland, 9 A at 21½d, 9 B at 20½d, 7 pieces at 20d; C. and Co. over Tarcombe, from Queensland, 15 first lambs at 10d.

ADELAIDE FAT STOCK MARKET.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Messrs. Elder, Smith, and Co. report:—Fat cattle: 488 offered, a large proportion prime quality, including some northern station cattle. Although the attendance of buyers was good, competition was less animated, and values, although satisfactory to sellers, eased considerably. 480 from the north, 30 from the south-east, and the remainder local. Shippers secured 40s. Prime beef, 19s to 20s. We sold 224. Sheep: 8500 penned, consisting largely of good and prime descriptions, for which values are firmly maintained. Second-class merinos and crossbreds were weaker. Prime merino wethers, 15s to 16s; good, 12s to 13s; best ewes, 11s to 12s; prime crossbreds, 14s to 20s. We sold 2000.

MELBOURNE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the live stock market to-day 1500 fat cattle were yarded, comprising 120 from New South Wales, 550 from the North-eastern district, 80 from Gippsland, and 250 chiefly from the westward. The bulk of the supply ranged from fair to good conditioned light to moderate weights, with a limited proportion of prime. In view of the increased supply the market opened inactive and lower, but as sales progressed prices hardened to fully former quotations, closing slightly better than last week's improved rates. About 500 cows were penned. Prime pens bullocks, £10 12s 6d to £11 11s 6d; extra quality and weighty ditto, £12 5s to £12 17s 6d; good pens bullocks, £8 15s to £9 15s; medium ditto, £7 10s to £8 10s; inferior, from £6; prime pens cows, £7 5s to £8 12s 6d; extra prime and heavy, £9 to £9 12s 6d; good ditto, £5 15s to £6 15s; others from £4.

MELBOURNE FRUIT MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the Queen Victoria Market this morning fruits realised the following prices:—Apples, 2s to 7s per case; figs, 2s 6d to 3s per half-case; grapes, 5s to 10s per case; oranges, 3s to 8s 6d; lemons, 4s to 8s; watermelons, 2s 6d per double case; melons, preserving, 2s to 4s per dozen; pears, culinary, 4s to 5s per case; pears, dessert, 6s to 8s; quinces, 1s to 2s.

MELBOURNE MEAT MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the Metropolitan Dead Meat Market to-day prices ruled as follows:—Beef, prime bodies, 22s to 23s per 100lb.; medium, 20s to 21s; prime forequarters, 17s; medium, 15s to 16s; prime hind-quarters, 27s to 28s; medium, 25s to 26s; lambs, prime, 9s to 10s each; medium, 7s to 8s.

A.M.P. SOCIETY'S JUBILEE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As many of your readers are members of our society, and having ascertained that a large number are ignorant of the following facts, with your permission I have pleasure in explaining:—1. Each policyholder possesses a vote for every £100 insured up to 20, the maximum. 2. Voting papers may now be sent, either separately or in bundles under cover, by post or by hand, addressed to the presiding officer, care of the secretary, Pitt-street. 3. A duplicate voting paper will be sent, if the former has been lost or spoiled, in response to a written application stating the facts. As the approaching annual meeting will celebrate the jubilee of the society it is hoped every policyholder will vote. I am, &c.,

May 10. BENJN. SHORT.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

LAND AND HOUSES.

E. C. V. BROUGHTON.—At the Rooms, 250 Pitt-street, at 11.30, Land and Houses.

H. DUFF and CO.—At their Rooms, at 100 Pitt-street, at 11.30, Land and Houses and Civil Service Co-operative Shares.

J. E. GREEN and CO.—At the Rooms, 110 Pitt-street, at 11.30, Houses and Land.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

H. HARRIS and CO.—At 20 Rosebank-street, Darlinghurst, at 11, Furniture, Pianoforte, Electroplate, Glassware, Crockery, &c.

DALWOOD and CO.—At the Rooms, at 11, Furniture, Piano, &c.

A. TRAVERSI and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Drapery, Clothing, &c.

G. P. BAINES.—On the premises, Yule-street, Marrickville, at 11, Furniture, Oilcloth, &c. At Stanley-street, Camperdown, at 2.30, Furniture, &c.

FRASER, UTHER, and CO.—At the City Mart, at 11.30, Teas.

MEDCALF and VAUGHAN.—At 31 Botany-street, Redfern, at 11, Stock-in-Trade of a Boarding-house, Furniture, &c.

J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Clothing, Boots, Blankets, &c.; at 3, Jewellery, &c.

J. COWAN.—On the Premises, 45 Engine-street, at 11, Plant, Machinery, Steel Rails, Forges, &c.

GUILLE and CO.—At King-street, Newtown, at 11, Furniture, &c.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At Hay and George streets, at 2.30, Furniture, &c.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.—At the Various Stores, at 9.30, Hair, Horns, Bones.

HORSES, HARNESS, AND VEHICLES.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.

G. KISS.—At the Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

ELLIS and CO.—At their Yards, at 11, Cows, &c; at 2.30, Vealers, Pigs, Cattle, &c.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Yards, at 11, Cows, &c.; at 2.30, Pigs, &c.; at 3.30, Cattle.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

A much larger volume of business was transacted in the Mining market yesterday, a general improvement in values of gold stocks being noticeable. Coal-mining shares were without any material alteration. In copper ventures Cobar Chesney fetched a high price, and Lake George Mines improved, selling at advancing rates, whilst Girilambone "A" shares were stronger. A good deal of attention was paid to New South Wales gold lines, particularly to those in the Hillgrove district, Baker's Creek Consols having brisk sales up to 2s 11d, 2s 10½d; while Hillgrove Proprietary came into the market with a transaction at 5s. Mount David fetched 5s 7d, and Young Australian 3s 6d, the last-named, however, not being quoted at the end of the day. There was a better market for silver stocks, B.H. Proprietary, North Broken, Mount Black, and Mount Lyell realising stronger rates, and closing very firm. Queensland gold companies had only a trifling extent of business, but there were firmer closing quotations for Band of Hope, Brilliant Extended, Clark's Brilliant, Worcester, and Victory, No. 1 North Oriental and Glanmire, and also Victory. Western Australian lines generally had a recovery from the late weakness, and a good extent of business was transacted, Associated Gold Mines, Brookman's Boulder, and Kalgurli North all being much stronger. The principal stocks on the Queen Margaret line were in high favour, whilst the final quotations of the following companies were all buoyant:—Chaffer's, Great Boulder Perseverance, Hainault, Hannan's Oroya, Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, Ivanhoe Junction, Kalgurli South, and Lake View South.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.		
Hetton	—	27/6
Newcastle	9/0	—
Stockton	—	4/1
Vale of Clwydd	6/	8/
Wallsend	—	21/10
Waratah	—	11/6
Wickham and Bullock Island	8/3	9/
Ditto, new	3/6	4/6
Ditto, preferential, £1 pd.	24/	28/
COPPER.		
Cobar Chesney, paid	9/3	9/9
Girilambone	—	9/
Girilambone "A"	3/	4/
Lake George Mines	8/9	—
New Mount Hope	3/	—
SILVER.		
NEW SOUTH WALES.		
Broken Hill Proprietary	47/6	48/
Block 10	77/	79/
North Broken	10/4	10/10
North Central	4½d	5½d
Overflow	3/	3/6
Ditto, con.	2/6	3/
TASMANIA.		
Mount Black Proprietary, paid	6/9	—
Mount Lyell	9/2/6	9/3/3
GOLD.		
NEW SOUTH WALES.		
Baker's Creek	5/10	—
Baker's Creek Consols	2/10½	2/11
Mount David, paid	—	5/9
North Gibraltar, paid	—	1/6
Peak Hill, pd.	1/5	2/5
Turon River Dredging, paid	34/	—
Victory Forest Reefs	1/8	—
West Sunlight, paid	—	2/
VICTORIA.		
Band and Loch United	4/	—
Hustler's Cf., No. 1	—	11/6
QUEENSLAND.		
Band of Hope, paid	19/6	—
Brilliant Extended	8/1	9/3
Ditto, con.	7/	—
Brilliant St. George, pd.	58/	—
Clark's Brilliant, Worcester, &c.	4/8	—
East Oriental and Glanmire	—	6d
Kelly's Queen Block, pd.	23/6	24/6
Nth. Oriental and Glanmire	7/2	—
No. 1 North Oriental and Glanmire	8/9	9/5
No. 2 North Oriental and Glanmire	3/4	3/9
Mt. Morgan	—	5/10/
No. 1 North Columbia Extended, con.	6d	10d
Oriental and Glanmire	—	14/6
Oriental and Columbia Consolidtd, con.	—	11d
Papuan	4/9	—
Smithfield & P. Golden Pile	15/3	—
South Great Eastern No. 1	4/	4/9
Ditto No. 3	37/6	44/
South Glanmire and Monkland	16/3	18/6
Victory, con.	6/4	—
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.		
Associated	8/9/3	8/9/6
Boulder Nr'h Extended	—	3/2
Brookman's Boulder	18/3	19/
Brown Hill Central	9d	1/10
Central and West Boulder	31/6	35/
Chaffer's	15/	16/
Crœsus Proprietary	1/2	—
Gt. Boulder, ex rights	31/6	31/9
Ditto, Main Reef	40/	43/
Gt. Boulder Perseverance	9/12/6	—
Hainault	34/	—
Hannan's Block 45	6/	6/3
Hannan's Oroya	43/	44/3
Imperial Boulder	7d	10d
Ivanhoe	11/5/	11/10/
Ivanhoe Sth. Extended	16/	16/9
Ivanhoe Junction	2/6	2/10
Kalgoorlie Bank of England	—	19/
Kalgoorlie Mint	11/3	12/
Kalgurli	9/10/	—
Kalgurli North	28/3	30/
Kalgurli South	96/6	97/
Lady Sherry	2/	—
Ditto, con.	8d	—
Lake View Consols	—	19/10/
Lake View Extended	—	10/
Lake View South, paid	26/	28/
North Boulder	—	20/
Paringa Consolidated	3/4	4/3
Queensland Menzies, pd.	18/6	20/
Queen Margaret	22/	23/
Queen Margaret Central	1/6	1/7
Queen Margaret South	4/3	5/3

The following sales were reported.—Morning:—Copper: Lake George Mines, 8s 6d, 8s 9d. Silver: B.H. Proprietary, 47s 3d; North Broken, 10s 3d; North Central, 5d. Gold: Baker's Creek 5s 11d; Baker's Creek Consols, 2s 10d; Hillgrove Proprietary Mines, 5s; Mount David, paid-up, 5s 7d; Young Australian, 3s 6d; Glenfine Extended, 20s 7d, 22s 6d; Associated Gold Mines, £8 10s; Great Boulder Proprietary, 32s 6d, 32s 4½d, 32s 3d; Hannan's Oroya, 43s 6d, 44s; Kalgurli South, 96s 6d. Noon—Silver: Mount Black Proprietary, 7s 4d. Gold: No. 1 North Columbia Extended, contributing, 7d; Associated Gold Mines, £8 7s 6d, £8 7s, £8 8s, £8 7s 6d; Brookman's Boulder, 18s 4½d; Chaffer's, 15s 6d; Great Boulder Proprietary, ex rights, 32s, 31s 9d, 31s 6d; Hannan's Oroya, 43s 6d, 43s 9d; Kalgurli South, 96s 6d; Queen Margaret Central, 1s 4d; Queensland Menzies, paid up, 19s 11d; Queen Margaret, 22s 9d. Afternoon—Copper: Cobar Chesney, paid up, 9s 9d. Silver: Mount Lyell, £9 3s 9d. Gold: Baker's Creek Consols, 2s 10d, 2s 11d, 2s 10½d; Associated Gold Mines, £8 8s, £8 9s, £8 9s 6d; Great Boulder Proprietary, ex rights, 31s 9d; Hannan's Block 45, 6s 3d; Queen Margaret Central, 1s 6d.

After the last meeting of the Exchange the following sales were reported:—Copper: Lake George Mines, 8s 10d, 8s 11d, 9s, 8s 11d. Silver: Mount Lyell, £9 4s, £9 4s 3d. Gold: Falkner's, 2s 3d; Great Boulder Proprietary, 32s; Kalgurli South, 96s 6d; Paringa Consolidated, 3s 5d.

Yesterday the directors of the Great Cobar Copper-mining Company, Limited, declared a dividend (the thirty-fourth) of 2s per share, payable on the 24th instant. Transfer books will be closed from the 17th to the 24th, both dates inclusive.

BALLARAT, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Band and Loch United, 5s 9d, 5s 7d; Berry Consols, 33s 6d; Berry Consols Extended, 26s; Birthday, 91s, 90s 6d; Birthday South, 16s 6d, 16s 7½d; British Banner, 7s 3d, 9s, 8s 6d, 9s 3d; Buninyong Alluvial, 1s 9d; Cardigan Proprietary, 7s 9d; Carisbrook Extended, 2s 6d; Chalk's No. 1, 2s 5d, 2s 8d; Chalk's No. 3, 7s 10½d; Federal Mint, 4s 6d, 4s 3d; Glenfine Estate, 16s, 16s 3d; Glenfine North, 8s 11d; Glenfine No. 1, 4s 8d, 4s 7d, 5s 1d, 4s 10d; Glenfine South, 88s, 100s, 94s, 95s 6d; Glenfine Extended, 19s, 23s, 19s 9d, 21s; Great Glenfine, 2s 10d, 3s, 2s 9d; Glenfine Consols, 8s 10½d, 9s 1d, 8s 3d; Glenfine, paid up, 9s 7½d, 9s 3d; Hepburn Estate, 7s; Hepburn Extended, 2s; Kangaroo, 1s 11d, 2s 9d, 2s 8d; Main Leads, 2s 4d; Metropolitan, 3s 9d, 3s, 4s 11d; Moonlight, 1s 7d, 2s 4d; Mack's Lucky, 3s; New Imperial, 11s 9d, 15s 6d, 15s 3d; North Magdala, 3s 10d, 3s 11d; Pentagon, 4s, 4s 1d; Queen of the Plains, 7s; Royal Mint, 1s 8d, 1s 10d, 1s 7d; South Imperial, 4s 1d, 4s 7d; Victoria United, 13s 9d, 13s 10d.

BENDIGO, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Confidence Tribute, 1s 10d; Delbridge's, 5½d; Extended South Devonshire, 1s 6½d; Garden Gully United, 49s 6d; Golden Age, 8s 4½d, 8s 3d; Golden Pyke, 17s 3d, 17s 6d; Hustler's Reef No. 1, 11s 3d; M'Donald's 111, 10½d; North Johnson's, 18s 6d; North Prince of Wales and Bonshaw, 5½d; Nuggety Extended, 7s 6d; South Irish, 9d; South Tharsis, 5s; Spring Gully Junction, 6s 7d.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

B. H. Block 10 last week treated 3226 tons of ore, yielding 542 tons concentrates, bulking 34oz. silver, 65 per cent. lead, 7·55 per cent. zinc. The estimated quantity of concentrates on the mine's floors is 1116 tons. It is anticipated that the new large Gates' cracker will be ready this week to start work. The general productive stopes are looking most satisfactory, an abundance of ore being exposed everywhere. The week's average assays of the material mined and treated were:—17½oz. silver, 18·59 per cent. lead, 22·48 per cent. zinc. The winze in Campbell's section at the 715ft. level is showing a marked improvement. Kelly's 815ft. level plat is being cut as sinking proceeds.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

To-day's Brisbane Exchange sales were:—No. 2 North Columbia and Smithfield, 3s 5d; No. 1 South Great Eastern, 4s 7d; Smithfield and Phœnix Golden Pile, 15s 8d; Kelly's Queen Block, contributing, 23s 3d.

BURRAGA, Wednesday.

All the copper mines continue to look excellent. Heylens and party's East Burraga mine is improving rapidly. Stain and Cassells are still doing good work.

CANOWINDRA, Wednesday.

A splendid reef has been discovered on the Queen of the Ranges, a mile away. A trial crushing of 6 tons off the surface yielded 1½oz. to the ton. It is on a new line of reef, running below the old Homeward Bound claim. There was a large gathering to witness the christening of the new mine yesterday.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Brilliant Freehold, contributing, 11d; Brilliant Extended, contributing, 7s 6d; ditto, paid, 7s 8d; Clark's Brilliant, Worcester, and Victory, 4s 11d, 5s 0½d; Kelly's Queen Block, contributing, 23s, 21s 7d; Lady Florence, 9d; Marshall's Queen, 2s 2d, 2s; Moonstone Towers Extended Block, contributing, 1s 10½d; New Queen, 3s 8d, 3s 5d; Papuan, Brilliant, and Victoria, 4s 9½d, 4s 9d; Smith's Extended Block, 3½d; Victoria and Queen, contributing, 4s 1d; Victoria and Caledonia Block, contributing, 5s 4½d, 5s 4d; Victoria G. M. Association, 6s 1d, 6s 3d.

Crushings.—Phœbe, 116 tons of stone, for 99oz. gold; Victoria and Caledonia Block, 145 tons, for 209oz.

COOLGARDIE, Tuesday.

Burbank's Birthday Gift has treated 920 tons of stone for 1149oz. gold. The tailings cyanided were 880 tons for 202oz., and 4 tons of concentrates yielded 15oz. 15dwt. The grand total output of the mine from the beginning of operations amounts to 42,808oz. The Union Jack has crushed 35 tons for 14oz. 3dwt. gold. Cosgrove's Bayley's South has treated, together with stone from the Brilliant lease, 90 tons for 30oz. 15dwt. Mr. Whitby, the local attorney for Tindal's G.M. Company, has received a cable from London to the effect that the negotiations entered into by Mr. Dickson, chairman of the directors, have been attended with successful results, and that further capital will be forthcoming to work the mine on a scale of considerable magnitude. Arrangements have been made to amalgamate Tindal's with several adjoining leases, the total area to be controlled being 30 acres. It is proposed that the new company shall provide working capital sufficient to develop the property thoroughly, and to erect 80 head of stamps and a cyanide plant of similar capacity, the present shareholders to receive 1s 6d per share on 48,000 shares, representing the capital of Tindal's, and one share in the new company for every three in the old.

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GYMPIE, Wednesday.

Mr. Thomas Smith reports:—The Australasian mine has crushed 92 tons of stone for 393oz. gold. The Golden Pile crushed 259 tons for 613oz. gold.

Sales: Australasian, 1s 10d; Columbia and Smithfield, 10s 2d; Columbia Extended No. 1 North, paid, 1s 1d; ditto No. 1 North, contributing, 8d; Great New Zealand, 6d; Gympie Gold Mines No. 1 South, 1s 11d; No. 7 South Lady Mary, 1s 0½d, 1s 1d; New Zealand Prospectors' Tribute, 4½d, 4d; Oriental Surprise, 4d; Oriental and Columbia Consolidated, contributing, 9½d.

Quotations: Oriental No. 1 North, seller 9s 2d, buyer 8s 10d.

HOBART, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales and quotations were:—Colebrook, buyer 3s 3d, seller 4s; Hercules, buyer 22s 6d, seller 23s 9d; South Hercules, buyer 1s 8d, seller 2s; Mount Black, sales 7s 6d; Mount Lyell, buyer £9, seller £9 10d; Mount Lyell Blocks, buyer 13s; Lyell Tharsis, buyer 27s, seller 28s 6d; Royal Tharsis, buyer 1s 9d, seller 2s 4d; Great Southern Lyell, seller 1s 1d; British Reed, buyer 40s, seller 4s 6d; Red Hills, seller 9s 6d; Silver Queen, buyer 2s 4d, seller 2s 9d.

KALGOORLIE, Tuesday.

The clean-up of the Crœsus for last month was as follows:—Tons milled 180, yielding 96oz. 10dwt. gold, an average of 10dwt. 14gr. per ton.

The Lancefield British, in the Blag Flag district, has treated 608 tons of stone for 304oz. gold.

LAUNCESTON, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales and quotations were:—Tasmania, buyer £4 18s; Magnet, buyer 53s; Western Silver, buyer 16s, seller 20s; Colebrook, buyer 3s 4d, seller 4s; Hercules, buyer 21s 6d, seller 24s; South Hercules, buyer 1s 8d, seller 1s 9d; Mount Lyell, buyer £9 3s, seller £9 5s; Central Lyell, buyer 1s 7d, seller 2s 3d; Mount Lyell Reserve, buyer 2s 3½d, seller 3s; Mount Black Proprietary, buyer 7s, seller 7s 4d; Red Hills, buyer 8s 4d, seller 10s; Robbie Burns, buyer 2s 10d, seller 3s 6d; Mount Bischoff, buyer £32 15s.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

There was a good extent of business in the market for mining shares to-day. Sales:—Mount Lyell, £9 5s, £9 10s; Colonial North, 1s 8d, 3s 1d; Crown Lyell, 15s 1½d, 15s; Glen Lyell, 9½d, 10½d; Lyell Tharsis, 27s 9d, 28s 6d; Mount Lyell Blocks, 13s; Mount Lyell Peaks, 1s 3d, 1s 5d; North Crown Lyell, 1s 10d, 1s 11d; North Lyell Consolidated, paid, 7s 3d; Red Hills, 9s, 8s 6d, 8s 9d; Royal Tharsis, 1s 11d, 2s 2d; South Tharsis, 5s 1d, 5s 6d; Western Extended, 1s 9d, 1s 10d; Crown Lyell, paid, 15s 6d; Comet, 8d; Colonel North, paid, 2s 10d, 3s 3d; Glen Lyell, paid, 1s 3d; Prince Lyell, paid, 1s 9½d, 1s 10d; Royal Tharsis, paid, 3s 6d, 3s 7d; South Tharsis, paid, 6s; B. H. Proprietary, 46s; Chillagoe Proprietary, 23s; Lake George Mines, 9s, 9s 2d; Briseis, 30s; Brothers' Home No. 1, 4s 3d; Associated Gold Mines, £8 10s, £8 8s, £8 9s 6d; Boulder Half-mile South, 2s 5d, 2s 6d; Tindal's, 1s 9d; Great Boulder, 34s, 33s 9d; Lake View South, paid, 27s 9d; Queen Margaret, 22s; North Kalgurli, 28s 4½d; Berry Consols Extended, 25s 6d; Black Horse United, 52s; Cardigan, 7s 10d, 7s 9d; Glenfine Estate, 15s 6d; Glenfine Extended, 19s 3d, 23s, 20s; Glenfine South, 92s, 98s, 96s; Glenfine Consols, 8s 6d, 8s 8d, 8s 4d; Spring Hill Central, 9s, 10s 6d; Campbell's Creek, 7s 6d, 8s; Chalk's No. 1, 2s 3d, 2s 5d; Duke North, 3s 4d; Barrambogie, 7s; Great Southern, 32s, 33s 6d; Great Southern Consols, 10s 3d; Garden Gully United, 50s; Golden Pyke, 18s; Gippsland Boulder, 26s, 26s 6d, 24s 6d; Long Tunnel, £95; Long Tunnel Extended, £32; M'Gregor's, 7s 3d; Victor's Quartz, 28s 9d; Forbes, 24s; South German, £6 18s.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

The syndicate which leased the old copper mine at Burrawong has commenced operations. Consignment of ore from each level, also from the surface, will be despatched to Sydney for assay. This mine was worked 30 or 40 years ago, when ore had to be carted by teams for hundreds of miles for treatment. At Copper Hill, near Molong, John W. Williams is engaged putting down a shaft, and is expecting to strike gold.

WYALONG, Wednesday.

Klink's New South Wales Lighthouse Amalgamated is driving levels north and south at a depth of 500ft. The levels have been driven 29ft. along the formation, which is carrying a 12in. reef of quartz and calcite. Stoping from the shallower levels. Treated 128 loads of mullock for 28oz. gold. 120 loads are paddocked. There are important developments on the Currajong line. The syndicate that purchased the Forget-me-Not, Hell Fire Jack, and Hard Times claims is erecting machinery for the systematic working of the property. Rich mineral stone is known to exist in the three claims below the water level. The gold escort for the month carried 3040oz. gold. Several cakes of gold have been sent direct to the Mint.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Silver stocks had moderate business to-day, and prices in some instances ruled a little firmer. There was a better demand for Western Australian gold, and good business was transacted. High-priced stocks attracted large attention, fair exchanges taking place in most lines at an advance on Tuesday's quotations. Sales and quotations were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, 49s 6d, 48s, buyer 48s, seller 48s 6d; British Block, new, 8s 6d, buyer 8s 4½d, seller 8s 9d; Junction North, 10s 1½d, buyer 10s, seller 10s 3d; B.H. South, paid, 17s 6d; ditto, contributing, 15s 9d, buyer 15s 6d, seller 16s; North Broken, 10s 3d, buyer 10s 1½d, seller 10s 4½d; Associated Gold Mines, £8 10s, £8 8s, £8 9s, £8 6s, £8 9s, buyer £8 8s 9d, seller £8 9s; Bailey's United, 6s 6d, 6s 9d, buyer 6s 9d, seller 6s 11d; Hannan's Block 45, 6s 1d, buyer 6s, seller 6s 2d; Bonnie Charlie, call paid, 1s 10d, buyer 1s 10d, seller 1s 11d; Boulder Central, 2s 11d, 2s 10d, seller 2s 9d; Boulder Half-mile South, 2s 7d, 2s 6d, 2s 7d; Brookman's Boulder, 18s 6d, 19s, 18s 9d, buyer 18s 6d, seller 18s 9d; Boulder North Extended, 3s 3d, 3s 4d, buyer 3s 3d, seller 3s 5d; Central Boulder, 33s 6d, 33s, buyer 33s, seller 33s 6d; Crœsus Proprietary, call paid, 1s 5d, buyer 1s 5d, seller 1s 6d; Cumberland, call paid, 2s 7d, buyer 2s 6d, seller 2s 7d; Chaffer's, 15s 9d, buyer 15s 3d, seller 15s 9d; Great Boulder, cum rights, 33s, buyer 32s 9d, seller 33s; ditto, ex rights, 32s, buyer 31s 9d, seller 32s; Boulder Main Reef, 42s 6d, 43s, 42s 6d, seller 42s 6d; Great Boulder No. 1, 12s, 12s 3d, buyer 12s 3d, seller 12s 6d; Boulder Perseverance, £9 16s, £9 15s, buyer £9 16s, seller £10; Hainault, 33s, 33s 3d, buyer 33s 3d, seller 33s 6d; Imperial Boulder, 7d, 6d; Ivanhoe, £11s 6s, buyer £11 5s, seller £11 9s; Ivanhoe Junction, 2s 10d, 3s, buyer 2s 11d, seller 3s 1d; Kalgoorlie Bank of England, 17s 9d, 17s 3d, buyer 17s 1½d, seller 17s 4½d; Kalgoorlie Mint and Iron King, 11s 3d, 11s 1½d, 11s 4½d, buyer 11s 3d, seller 11s 6d; Lake View South, paid, 28s, 27s 9d, buyer 27s 9d, seller 28s; Mount Benson, paid, 1s 1d, 1s 1½d, buyer 1s 2d, seller 1s 4d; North Boulder, 29s, 28s 6d, 28s 7½d, buyer 28s 6d, seller 28s 9d; Premier, 15s 3d, 15s, buyer 15s, seller 15s 6d; Premier South, 5d, seller 6d; Princess Royal, paid, 19s, buyer 19s, seller 19s 6d; ditto, contributing, 18s, buyer 17s 9d, seller 18s 3d; Queen Margaret, 23s 6d, 22s 6d, 22s 9d, buyer 22s 6d, seller 22s 9d; Queen Margaret Central, 1s 4d, 1s 5½d, buyer 1s 5d, seller 1s 6d; Queen Margaret No. 1 South, 3d, 3½d; Queen Margaret South, 4s 1d, 4s 9d, 4s 5d, 4s 6d, buyer 4s 6d, seller 4s 7d; Queensland Menzies, paid, 19s 9d, 19s 6d; South Kalgurli, 96s, 95s 6d, 96s, buyer 96s, seller 96s 6d; Chillagoe Proprietary, 23s 6d, buyer 23s 3d, seller 23s 9d; Paralana, 1s 6d, 1s 5d, seller 1s 5d.

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MANAGERS' REPORTS.

Girilambone Copper-mining Company, No Liability, week ended May 5.—300ft. level: Lode without change; still showing yellow ore, intermixed with black. 360ft. level: No change; the ore as broken averages 4 per cent. for copper. 520ft. level: Driving in north-easterly direction from chamber; driven 2ft. for week. New blast furnace is built up to its full height outside, and will be quite finished inside to-morrow. Hope to have this furnace ready to work in about a month or five weeks. Product of experimental furnace for week, 3 tons, 18cwt. of copper.

Koh-i-noor Gold-mining Company, No Liability, Parkes, May 6.—Contractors in main shaft will finish sinking to 550ft. next week; reef in the bottom is unchanged. Reef in all the stopes is same size and quality as last reported. Cleaned up crushing of 496 tons from higher levels on Friday for 277oz. 7dwt. smelted gold. Re-started battery on Saturday morning on Koh-i-noor stone.

Klink's New South Wales Gold-mining Company, No Liability, Wyalong, May 6.—Crosscut at 500ft. extended 5ft. west through channel; total width of channel 10ft., composed partially of granite and formation. Driven level north on channel 19ft.; 3ft. of soft formation in face at present, with 1ft. of calcite and quartz mixed. Nothing payable at present. Driven south 10ft.; not so good as north end. Have three men working old stopes. Crushed 128 loads for 28oz., and have since raised and now crushing of 120 loads; will continue raising and crushing similar stuff for another fortnight.

Mount Garnet and Chillagoe Exploration Company, No Liability, North Queensland (by telegraph), May 8.—An average sample assayed:—Copper pyrites, 25 per cent.; carbonate of copper, 12½ per cent.. Second-class ore, two lots. Ore averages 13 per cent. copper, 3oz. silver. Good progress being made No. 2 chamber. Sunk 4ft. Winze No. 1: Ore so far continues very good.

Mount Garnet Freehold Copper and Silver Mining Company, Limited, North Queensland, April 24.—North drive off No. 1 tunnel in 75ft.; cutting winze plat at 60ft. South drive (No. 2 south) driven total 26ft.; in solid ore of average value. South drive to No. 4 shaft (No. 1 south); cutting winze plat under No. 4 shaft. Ore in bottom of plat show good native silver. No. 1 winze sunk total 30ft.; still sinking in sulphide ore of average value. Samples from prospecting and No. 1 shaft assayed as follows:—Prospect shaft, west half, surface to 60ft.: Copper, 4·7 per cent.; lead, 7 per cent.; silver, 7oz. 16dwt. per ton. Prospect shaft, east half, surface to 60ft.: Copper, 5·8 per cent.; lead, 10·5 per cent.; silver, 8oz. 3dwt. 8gr. per ton. Lode passed through in drive from No. 1 shaft: Copper, 3·2 per cent.; lead, 20 per cent.; silver, 4oz. 16dwt. per ton.

Welshman's Reef, Sandy Creek, May 6.—The 320ft. south level extended to 176ft. from crosscut; stone in face 1ft. thick, and poor. Stopes above this level, stone from 18in. to 4½ft. wide, and carrying a little gold. Have worked stone out in stopes between the 300ft. and 320ft. north levels. Have taken 10oz. amalgam from ripples to-day from 55 loads.

DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared, and are payable on the dates specified:—
Long Tunnel Extended, Walhalla, May 11, 6s.
Fortuna Hustlers, Bendigo, May 11, 6d.
Hustlers Reef No. 1, Bendigo, May 11, 6d.
Koch's Pioneer, Bendigo, May 11, 6d.
M'Duff Amalgamated, Bendigo, May 11, 1s.
New Chum Railway, Bendigo, May 11, 1s.
Last Chance United, Ballarat, May 12, 6d.
Lord Nelson, St. Arnaud, May 18, 1s.
Great Cobar Copper-mining Company, May 24, 2s.
B.H. Proprietary Block 10 Company, May 25, 3s.
Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, Kalgoorlie, May 25, 5s.

YIELDS.

GOLD.

Australasian Mine, Gympie, 92 tons, 393oz.
Burbank's Birthday Gift, Coolgardie, 920 tons, 1149oz.
Crœsus, Kalgoorlie, 180 tons, 96oz. 10dwt.
Great Boulder Proprietary, Kalgoorlie, 1850 tons, 2912oz.
Golden Pile, Gympie, 259 tons, 613oz.
Kohinoor G. M. Company, Parkes, 496 tons, 277oz. 7dwt.
Klink's New South Wales G. M. Company, Wyalong, 128 loads, 28oz.
Queen of the Ranges, Canowindra, 6 tons, 9oz.
Phœbe, C. T., 116 tons, 99oz.
Victoria and Caledonia Block, C. T., 145 tons, 209oz.

COPPER.

Girilambone Copper-mining Company (experimental furnace for week), 3 tons 18cwt.

BOURKE-STREET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

SALE OF WORK.

Yesterday afternoon in the schoolroom, at the rear of the Bourke-street Congregational Church, a sale of work was opened by the Mayoress of Sydney (Mrs. Matthew Harris), in the presence of a large attendance, principally ladies. The hall was effectively decorated, and the many stalls were prettily arranged, the goods being displayed to advantage. The stallholders transacted heavy business.

Amongst those present at the opening ceremony were the Rev. A. J. Griffith, M.A. (chairman of the Congregational Union), Rev. James Buchan, M.A. (secretary of the Congregational Union), Rev. James Hill, M.A. (pastor), Mr. Alfred Allen, and Miss Harris.

The Rev. J. Hill, M.A., in introducing the Mayoress, stated that the object of the bazaar was to reduce the debt on the church building, as they had found that this was the only way they could manage to do so; and during the last 10 or 12 years they had been successful in reducing the liability from £2000 to £650. They were proud to say that no gambling or raffling had ever taken place at these periodic sales. The Mayoress then declared the fair open. She was presented with a boquet of flowers by a little girl—Tris Flower. There were many attractions, and in No. 1 stall many New Guinea curios were on sale. Mrs. R. Jenkins and Mr. A. G. Flower are the hon. secretaries, and Mr. A. Armstrong hon. treasurer. In the evening a musical programme was much appreciated. The sale will be continued until Saturday. The stalls and stall holders are as follow:—

No. 1 (Fancy Goods) Stall.—Mrs. James Hill, Miss F. Baxter, and Miss Laird.
No. 2 and 3 (Fancy Goods) Stalls.—Mesdames Flower, Doubleday, Macks, and Armstrong.
No. 4 (Fancy Goods) Stall.—Mesdames Clark, Alford, Stimpson, and Quelch.
No. 5 (Refreshments) Stall.—Mrs. James Ward and daughters.
No. 6 (Sunday School) Stall.—Mrs. W. G. Lewis, and Misses Barnett, Nimmo, and Quelch.
No. 7 (Confectionery) Stall.—Mrs. and Miss Newnham.
No. 8 (Fancy Goods) Stall.—Mesdames Welch, Wright, and White.
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HORAN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS HORAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SON, Reginald G. F.; to move from their residence, 197 Goulburn-street, Surry Hills, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, to Necropolis.
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O'SULLIVAN.—The Friends of Mr. WILLIAM O'SULLIVAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, which will move from his parents' residence, No. 41 Talfourd-street, Glebe, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis.
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O'SULLIVAN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE M'KEAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved STEPDAUGHTER and DAUGHTER, Margaret O'Sullivan, which will move from their residence, No. 41 Talfourd-street, Glebe, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis.
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O'SULLIVAN.—The Friends of Messrs. PETER, GEORGE A., and the Misses KATE and ANNIE MURRAY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SISTER, Margaret O'Sullivan, which will move from No. 41 Talfourd-street Glebe THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis.
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BARRETT.—The Friends of Mr. M. J. BARRETT and Miss KATE BARRETT are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved MOTHER; to move from 17 Marlborough-street, Surry Hills, THIS THURSDAY, at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis.
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BARRETT.—The Friends of Miss MAGGIE O'CONNOR are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved GRANDMOTHER, Mrs. Mary Barrett; to move from 17 Marlborough-street, Surry Hills, THIS THURSDAY, at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers, 7 Elizabeth-st. Tel., 875.

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MILROY.—The Friends of Mr. THOMAS H. MILROY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Alice; to move from her late residence, No. 15 Little Napier-street, Paddington, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 3 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.
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WANTED, good COOK, country girl, must understand cooking well. 23 Jamieson-st., city.

WANTED, resp. HOUSEKEEPER, Prot., widower, 1 child. Henry, P.O., Chatswood.

WANTED, strong, useful GIRL, assist another, all dut., no cook., write, call. 104 Karraba-rd., Neut. B.

WANTED, experienced WAITER, used private serv., references, 10 o'clock, Hittmann's, 87 C'reagh-st.

WANTED, KITCHENMAN, must be gd. plain cook, pers. refs. Apply after 9, at 229 Macquarie-st. N.

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WANTED, WAITRESS, for restaurant. Apply early, 52 Park-st.

WANTED, good Shirt IRONER, constant work. Thistle Laundry, 3 Evans-st., Waverley.

WANTED, a middle-aged WOMAN to assist as General. Apply Native Rose Hotel, Cleveland-st.

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WANTED, competent General SERVANT. White Bay Hotel, Crescent-st., Balmain West.

WANTED, Girl about 15, mind 2 children, gen. useful, small wages. 92 Western Hotel, Bourke, Fitzroy-st.

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WANTED, a respectable BOY. A. M. Monsen, 568 George-st., opp. Cathedral.

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WANTED, Working Housekeeper, bachelor, no experience req. After 10, T. Cross, Robey-st., N. Bot.

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WANTED, resp. Girl, Gen., for Newcastle, good home, 2 fam., small wages, 10 a.m., 28 Dar. Inst.-st., Glebe.

WANTED, Housemaid, wait table. After 11 o'clock, Mrs. F. Gannon, Hurlingham, Union-st., Tempe.

WANTED, a respectable GIRL to assist in light housework. Mrs. Wilson, 51 Mort-st., Balmain.

WANTED, a MAN, to Drive a Cab. Apply corner Woolley and Hereford sts., Glebe Point.

WANTED, a young GENERAL, 3 in family, references. Homecroft, Kennedy-st., Glebe Point.

WANTED, a strong willing YOUTH, to milk and deliver. Apply J. O'Neill, Crow's-nest-rd., North Botany.

WANTED, respectable WOMAN, comfortable home, small wages. 53 Boundary-st., Darlinghurst.

WANTED, experienced General SERVANT, good ref. 622 Darling-st., Rozelle. Apply at 9 o'clock.

WANTED, a strong General Servant. Apply before 12 o'clock, Celtic, 26 Donnelly-st., Balmain.

WANTED, a young Woman as GENERAL, 3 in family. 366 Victoria-st., Darlinghurst.

WANTED, a young WOMAN to look after one child. Metropolitan Hotel, George and Bridge sts., city.

WANTED, a respectable middle-aged Woman as GENERAL, no. required. 186 George-st. West.

WANTED, COOK and L'dress, must have ref. Apply Palace of Sweets, 715 George-st., Haymarket.

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After 5 p.m.

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May 18.—Performance in aid of Free Kindergarten.
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